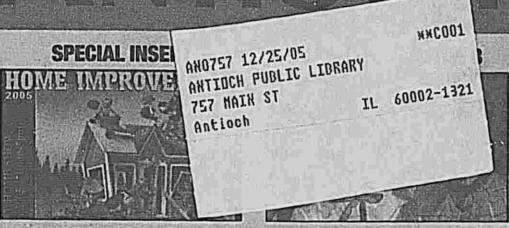


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Open Arms Mission Food Pantry Director Scott Keenan talks with a client in the waiting area of the paniry's new headquarters on Route 83 in Antioch. The paniry was formerly located at St. Peter Church In Antioch.

By Brenda Balin

Staff Reporter

Times have been hard for Linda (not her real name). Unemployment has taken its toll on her family.

"I have a good job, now," she said. "But my husband is still unemployed."

A couple of years of one or both adults out of work has left Linda and her family with a backlog of medical

bills and other debts. To help her meet her financial obligations as well as feed her three children, Linda has been getting

help from the Open Arms Mission. Everyone has their ups and downs," she said. "No one judges me

Open Arms Mission director and founder Scott Keenan understands.

"Last year, for the first time, over

50 percent of families in the United States found themselves two paychecks away from needing help," he said. Even once, solidly middle class families have been hard hit by layoffs, and find themselves drowning in a sea of debts.

Most pantries are unable to provide the scope of items available at Open Arms. The pantry is unique in that it provides not only the canned and dried foods one has come to expect at neighborhood food pantries,

but also fresh milk, bread, chicken, some meat and salad greens.

Everything is donated, from the food and non-food items distributed to the operating expenses and the

On Feb. 8, the mission opened its. doors in a new location, at 1548 S. Main St. (Route 83), next to A-Z rental.

The previous location, in the for-

mer St. Peter Convent building, created both physical and social chal-

Originally, the food pantry was called Blessed Trinity and was a collaborative effort of St. Peter and Prince of Peace Catholic churches.

Keenan, once a Catholic deacon, separated from the church, and sought to make the mission's charitable outreach wider and more inclu-

Both the name and the location proved to be handicaps.

"This is not a religious mission," he said."It is, as our motto states, 'neighbor helping neighbor'".

"He described the organization as "faith-based, but non-sectarian."

Keenan changed the name of the organization to Open Arms Mission,

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Seniors, board examine 2005 graduation plans

By Ginny Skweres Staff Reporter

Graduating seniors at Antioch High School were not happy with the change of venue planned for their graduation. Due to extensive renovations at the football field where graduation usually takes place, the board moved the ceremony to Lakes High School.

Seniors were offended that they did not have any input into the decision. In an effort to correct that oversight, Dr. John Crawford, ACHS principal, sent a survey to members of the class of 2005. Unfortunately, seniors were not satisfied with the options that were presented.

At Thursday's board meeting, seniors David Whitacre and Johanna Tangney expressed their feelings, and those of other seniors, during the public comments portion of the meeting.

Board President Philip Delaney prefaced their comments by saying the board had to begin the renova-

"Instead of using our football field, use our practice field, which is actually bigger."

> David Whitacre Antioch High School Senior

tions of the bleachers, concession stand and field house early in spring in order to have the work completed by the beginning of the football season. He said there is the option of having graduation in the gymnasium, but that would limit tickets to two or three per student. In the case of rain, that would be the only available option.

Delaney said no action would be taken at that meeting since the administration had not received the senior's completed surveys.

"This is big. This is about pride,"

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Trustees approve plans for Menards, in spite of Wal-Mart

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

The second phase of development along Route 173 was approved by board members 4 to 6 at Monday's village board meeting. This allows the developer, Great Lakes Principals, to move forward with plans to build a Menard west of Wal-Mart, which was the developer's first phase.

Trustees Lawrence Hanson and Robert Caulfield were vehemently opposed to the project, as was the mayor. Hanson had reprints of items he researched online and found some negative issues involving the company.

"These press releases are negative to Menard's - hazardous pollution, unpaid back-taxes and problems with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. These are very serious issues that need to be addressed," Hanson said. "Do we want to partner with someone who doesn't pay taxes, ignores the EEOC and pollutes?"

Trustee Robert Caulfield questioned the reason to develop the site at this time.

"There's going to be a develop-ment there. I question the rush to do it now when there are still problems with Phase One (Wal-Mart). Why give approval to phase two. Phase

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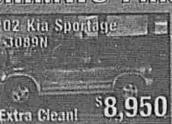
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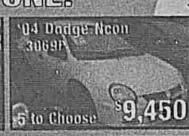
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X Children CARE about tsunami' victims

Oakland Elementary School encourages other students to join in

By Ginny Skweres Staff Reporter

One person can make a difference, especially if they are the one to have an idea and get the ball rolling. A fifth-grade girl came up with the idea to raise money for the victims of the tsunami by creating and auctioning off art-work. The auction took place Wednesday

evening, after press time. Oakland Elementary School's social work-

er, Christine Yu, heard about the idea and encouraged other students to join. All of the money they earn will be sent to CARE, the Cooperative for American Relief Everywhere.

"The kids are really into it and bringing in piece after piece," Yu said. As the social worker, she said it is healthy for the kids to discuss this natural disaster with teachers and parents, and to take an active role to alleviate the crisis to take an active role to alleviate the crisis.

"To have an active part and do something is huge," Yu said. "They have learned to be thankful for what we have. We have the necessities, and this will give them a sense of accomplishment."

CARE has predicted the relief effort will cost the organization \$100 million, and rebuilding is estimated to cost \$100 billion. More information on CARE is available at www.careusa.org.

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Gabby Keenan, 9, of Undenhurst uses a heart-shaped sponge to paint hearts on a plastic chair that will be auctioned off as part of Oakland School's fund-raiser for tsunami relief. Keenan is a third-grader at the Antioch school.

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Above-Nine-year-old Amanda Smith, a third-grader at Oakland School in Antioch, paints a vase to be sold as part of the school's auction fund-raiser for tsunami relief.

Improvements planned for summer

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

The activity level at Antioch High school will continue to be busy over the summer as improvements are made while students are not in session. Inside the school, the older portion of the building will be wired for the updated clock system that was installed in the

Business manager Bill Ahlers said the upgraded system was installed in 1997, but it had

been "jerryrigged" to the original clocks.

"This proposal is to bring the rest of the building up to that standard, with lower voltage." Ahlers said. "We bid it out in 1997 and those who put in the first part of the system

will put in the remainder."

Outside of the building, improvements around the football field will begin in the spring. New bleacher will be installed, and unlike the existing bleachers, these will be handicapped-accessible. Those improvements will be paid for with money from the ments will be paid for with money from the life-safety fund.

The concession stand will be replaced and the field house will be improved with money from the continued improvement plan.

Seating capacity in the bleachers will increase seating from1,000 people to about 1,300 people. New, larger restrooms will be built at the back of the new concession stand.

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The following people have been arrested for driving under the

influence of alcohol or drugs

Amy E. Jensen, 21, of 10182 W. Chaney,

Zion, was stopped at 3:37 a.m. Feb. 5 while

she was traveling eastbound on Route 173

at Madison. Antioch Police had observed

her cross the centerline and the fog line on the right. She failed a field sobriety test and

initially refused a breathalyzer test. Jensen

agreed to the breathalyzer test at the police

department and the alcohol analysis was

.163. She was charged with DUI, DUI over

.08, driving an uninsured vehicle and

improper lane usage. She was released on

a personal recognizance bond and is

Laura J. Von Hoffen, 47, of 23515 126th

St., Trevor, Wis., was reported to be stopped in the middle lane of northbound Route 83 and police were dispatched. The complainant was parked behind her and help-

ing her stand up. Antioch Police noticed her car keys were in the on position and there was an open can of beer in the car.

Von Hoffen said she was driving home and

her car just stopped. She began a field sobriety test, but tried to walk away. Police

told her she was under arrest for DUI and

was handcuffed. Her Wisconsin driver's

license was valid but had been revoked

.225, no rear registration plate light, illegal

transportation of alcohol and operating on a foreign driver's license while revoked. She was released on a personal recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in court

She was charged with DUI with BAC of

through Illinois.

scheduled to appear in court on March 1.

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Persons charged with a crime are innocent until proven guilty in court. Information in Police Beat comes from police departments.

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Driving without a valid driver's license

John L. Steele, 34, 40720 North Highway 83, Antioch, was stopped at 10:13 p.m. Feb. 6 while he was driving northbound on Route 83 at Ida Avenue. Police noticed his rear license plate had expired in 2003. Police also found his driver's license was suspended and his vehicle was uninsured. He was released on a personal recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in court on Feb. 28.

Luster B. Spruille, 21, of 910 Hickory, Waukegan, was stopped by police because his rear registration light was inoperative. Police discovered his driver's license had been revoked. He has a cash bond pending a court date of Feb. 23.

Matthew K. Coari, 25, of 41 Rushmore, Fox Lake, was stopped at 11:21 p.m. on Feb. 6, for driving 60 mph in a 45 mph zone as he drove southbound on Route 50 near Heron Drive. In addition to being charged with speeding, he was charged with no valid driver's license. He was released on a personal recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in court on March 9.

Gina A. Rodriguez, 18, of 361 Harden Street, Antioch, was stopped by police a 1:05 a.m. Feb. 3, while traveling southbound on

Route 83 because a noisy muffler was hanging close to the ground. She was cited for the loud muffler and driving without a license since all she had was an instructional permit issued in Wisconsin. She was released on a personal recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in court on March 9.

Wanted on warrant

Dale Hangebrauck, 35, of 420 Continental Lane, was arrested by police after they were notified where he was and was wanted on an outstanding warrant. He was charged with failure to appear in court and resisting a peace officer. He was taken to the Lake County jail on \$33,000

AND WE DANCED

Left-Antioch **Parks** Department Commissioner Tom Kessell takes a photo of Aaron Greenlee of Antioch with his daughters Symphony, 6, and Melody, 7, during a Daddy/Daughter Date hight at Antioch Upper Grade School. Bottom-Thirteen-year-old Emily Caccia of Antioch enjoys a dance with her father, Howard, during a Daddy/Daughter Date Night at Antioch Upper Grade School.





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Whitacre said. He proposed another option that was not included on the survey.

"Instead of using our football field, use our practice field, which is actually bigger," Whitacre said. Even if the audience sat on lawn chairs or blankets, Whitacre said they could still see since the stage is elevated. He did suggest pausing the ceremony in case a train went past. He also pointed out that there is an emerging rivalry between ACHS and Lakes which would cause discomfort, but he did thank the administration for taking a sur-

Tangney reminded the board members about how they had determined to split up the student body into two campuses.

"It seemed to make sense. Those students who had already completed two or more years at ACHS would remain at ACHS in order to assure that we would be able to graduate at our high school," she said.

'If the renovation of the football field were to begin the day after graduation, and if it only takes about 16 weeks to complete, then it would only take up approximately four weeks during the start of the 2005-2006 school year... Next year's football season cannot be considered more important than our graduation. If we can be pushed to graduate at Lakes, then football should be able to use Lakes field as well, Tangney said.

If that is not possible, Tangney also proposed using the practice field as an alternate site.

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one problems are less likely to be solved if phase two is done," Hanson said.

He also questioned the practicality of how inspections would be done to monitor compliance with the ordinance on the site.

Mayor Taso Maravelas was also opposed to the plan, but since there was not a tie, he could not vote. He said he is in favor of development in Antioch, but is concerned about runoff from both projects. He has threatened to veto the motion, but the board could override that move.

A number of residents most of who live near Little Silver Lake, also spoke against the project and described some of the new water problems that have developed since Wal-Mart was built. Many are concerned about the total suspended solids in any runoff water that would come into Little Silver Lake, especially if there was a 100year storm during the construction phase.

Little Silver Lake has a unique ecosystem that supports unique species of plants and fish, according to Jim Hironimus, resident and retired

high school environmental sciences teacher.

However, some area residents are comfortable with the safeguards that are in place and look forward to the tax money the development will bring to Antioch.

Trustees Dorothy Larson, Scott Pierce, Barbara Porch and Mary Turner voted in favor of the project. Turner pointed out that the project had been in the works for about two years, and was not rushed.

Turner, who chaired the Planning, Zoning and Building Committee, said there are enough safeguards in place to prevent any large problems, and praised the engineering that is planned.

"Outside our town, others comment on the quality of this project," Turner said. "I'm very proud of Antioch and I think eventually others (municipalities) will be held to our standard."

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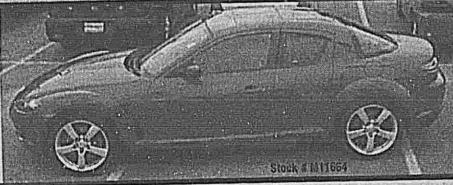
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> Hillcrest School nurtures music by stringing along in youngest pupils

By Ginny Skweres Staff Reporter

Although he's an experienced teacher and administrator, Jack Dudley has put himself in a position that lets him get to back to the basics of music and students. Dudley is inaugurating a beginning string music program for 160 kindergarten and first-graders at Hillcrest School. Although all children in those grades meet once a week to learn to play string instruments, these children have chosen to take additional group lessons during school.

The children recently showed their parents what they have been learning on violins, violas and cellos in a demonstration program. Dudley has broken the lessons down to their smallest parts and they first learned

how to "pluck" the open strings on their instruments. From there they learned to hold the strings down with their left hand and play three notes, one at a time. With four notes the children learned how to play short songs by plucking the strings.

The next big step came with learning how to play the instruments with their bows. They learned several notes with the bow by repositioning their fingers on one string. The evening ended by putting all their lessons to use, and the grand finalewas "Hot Cross Buns."

"This is the first school I know of that has kindergarten and first-graders all learn to play string instru-ments," Dudley said. "What I'm hoping is that some will choose to continue with music eventually to high

In fourth and fifth grade band

becomes an option for them. If they choose to make the change, this will strengthen and support the band program." The children do learn to actually read music.

String instruments are uniquely qualified for this early learning because the instruments can be downsized to fit young children. They are proportional to the children. The body of a full-size instrument might be 14 inches long, but it is also available in lengths of 13, 12, 11 and even nine inches.

"As you shorten the body, it shortens the string length. Therefore, the strings must be closer together which is something a small child can handle," Dudley said.

While Dudley is excited with this new program, the children have come to accept it as the norm.

"They seem to enjoy it," he said.

"I've discovered people have similar needs no matter what their age. As humans we have a need to express ourselves to others."

The growth in student population is one of the reasons this program came to be, Dudley said.

"Music classes were doubled in size," Dudley said. Children have music instruction for 20 minutes three times a week, and by taking one of those 20-minute instruction periods, Dudley makes it possible for Paul Bleadow, general music teacher, to have classes that are not doubled.

"The Antioch area is ready for some additional things in the arts, and this meets that need," Dudley said. "This is something really cool."

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X High School District 117 must find new treasurer

By Ginny Skweres Staff Reporter

The State Bank of the Lakes has served as the district's treasurer for a number of years, but with its sale to the Bank of Lake Forest, the new owners are not willing to continue all phases of that job. However, the bank is willing to continue reconciling the bank accounts, which is about 95 percent of the job description, Business Manager Bill Ahlers

told the board last Thursday. The remainder of the job consists of signing checks, creating a monthly report, reading financial documents and providing financial expertise as need-

The board has several options, which include going out to bid for another bank to take on all of the responsibility, finding a person qualified to take on the remainder of the job responsibilities, or appointing a board member to do the other responsibilities of the treasurer, Ahlers said.

He suggested that the board think about the situation and discus it at a later date.

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Cathle Hackeloer gives a diaper changing demonstration on her daughter, Julia, as Austin Hackeloer, 10, Patrick Keefe, 12, and Tommy Koth, 11, look on during a babysitting class taught by Cathle at the First National Bank-Employee Owned in Antioch.

Excavator plans ahead for future

By Ginny Skweres Staff Reporter

Larry Beake, owner of Beake & Sons Excavating in Antioch, is celebrating his tenth year in business, which is no small feat for a start-up business. Beake had originally planned on having a trucking business, but nine years ago when his oldest twin sons were born, he reevaluated his future business plans.

Beake decided he wanted his to be a family business, and in addition to changing the name to Beake & Sons, he also tweaked the business

by specializing in excavation. Nick and Jake, almost nine years old now, have been joined by their four-year-old brother Will in Dad's future plans. And boys being boys,



Larry Beake scoops up his future, sons Will, Jake and Nick. The boys will have the opportunity to take part in the Antioch family business, Beake & Sons **Excavating.**

they all like trucks.

Unlike most young boys who are relegated to playing with Tonka

trucks and the like in a sandbox, the Beake brothers get to try their hand with the real thing.

Beake confirms that his older boys can operate a bobcat and backhoe. Even Will had a chance to operate some machinery with Dad's help, when he was three and Mom wasn't around. The twins occasionally help Beake with repairs, and summer days they might each get a turn of going to work with Dad.

Although fathers dream of working side-by-side with their sons Beake said, the name of his company is meant to encourage them, but not obligate them. For now, Beake said the name helps the boys learn responsibility, and build a strong family.

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Mission moves out of three-story

pen Arms Mission announced that they moved to a new location as of Feb. 1, They are now located at 1548 S. Main Street (Rte. 83) in Antioch.

A local family made the move to a one-story building possible by a tremendous donation. Other local support will be assisting with their utilities. The program's Adopt-A-Mission is under way.

The mission is currently seeking support for its "Fill the Milk Jug" program. They pur-chase about 800 gallons of milk each month at a cost of about \$2.50 a gallon. Can you help with a cash donation to support 10, 20 or more gallons each month?

All donations are tax deductible. Their mailing address is Open Arms Mission, P.O. Box 79, Antioch, IL 60002. For further information, please call 847-395-0309.

Congratulations to Millikin University senior Megan Lusch of Antioch, who is a member of the university's student-run record label, First Step Records. Lusch is a commercial music major and will serve in the A & R department.

Congratulations to Antioch's world champions who were honored at Monday's village board meeting.

Antioch Parks & Recreation's Shotokan Karate program traveled to Las Vegas this past November when seven Antioch participants took home world champion titles at the Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association World Championships.

They are Michael Terzic (Intermediate Kata Division), Colin Bennett and Ian Calvert (Intermediate and Brown Belt Division), JR Nauseda and Beth Koch (Cadet and Adult Division), Andrew Burkhart (Kumite/sparring), and the Sensei, Anna

Other medallists included are: Jordan Keller, Ian Keller, Steven Dschida, Marc Mrozinski, Jon Mrozinski, Cindy Trombino and David Keller.

Hats (and shoes) off to Antioch Brownie Troop #2596 for collecting old gym shoes. Their goal is to collect 5,000 shoes in a drive that continues through March.

There are various locations around town including the Parks Office, where you can drop offyour old gym shoes. The shoes will then be given to Waste Management who will deliver them to Nike.

Nike will recycle them by making them into new gym floors and playgrounds. In doing this, they are helping to save landfill space and the Earth. Any brand of athletic shoes will be accepted for this unique recycling program, but shoes need to be relatively clean.

If you have interesting information or anecdotes to submit for "Our Town" call staff reporter Ginny Skweres at -847-223-8161, ext. 131 or e-mail, ginnys@lakelandmedia.com

Antioch and Neumann resolve park fees issue

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

Antioch trustees approved a method Monday in which to reimburse Neumann Homes, Inc., for making double the contribution for park fees to the village. The properties involved include Clublands Property and Deercrest/NeuHaven Property, which are referred to jointly as the Neumann Property.

The developer donated 48.50 acres instead of the required 9.09 acres that were actually required. The village also collected \$663,565 in park fees from the developer. And both parties acknowledged their responsibility for the oversight.

To correct the situation, Neumann Homes will create the parks, using the funds that the village collected. The village will hold the money for the project and reimburse the developer after it receives

acknowledgement from a Title Insurance Company that there are no claims against the work covered by the reimbursement request.

If the improvements cost less than the developer has contributed, the village has agreed to return the balance in the fund within seven days of receiving a written request from the develop-

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Advisory program results

With the first semester concluded, the numbers coming in are showing positive results for the advisory program begun this fall. Grades and attendance are up, and discipline referrals to the deans' office are down.

"I'm very excited," said advisory chairperson Fran Waible about the data she is starting to analyze.

Grade reports show a seven- percent drop in the number of freshmen students getting D's and F's for the semester. The class of 2007 had 44 percent of its members get a D or Flast year, while the class of 2008 had only 37 percent with a low mark.

Sean Garrison, director of attendance and discipline, also has positive numbers to report, with his office handling less than one discipline referral per freshman. Last year the deans handled an average of 2.3 referrals per student, Garrison said.

Attendance figures are also positive, with freshman daily attendance up almost half a percent, and the number of unexcused absences showing a similar decline compared to freshmen a year ago.

Class of '09 gets first look at ACHS program

ACHS officially welcomed the class of 2009 at an open house event. Most of the 330 students expected to arrive in the fall attended with their parents to learn about course offerings and extra-curricular opportunities.

Incoming freshmen received copies of the Curriculum and Activities Guide for the 2005-2006 school year. Current ACHS students will be receiving their copies beginning next week.

Many clubs and activities, along with all ment is limited.

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sports programs, staffed tables where students could get information and indicate their interest. Assistant principal Steve Schoenfelder said he is excited about the level of enthusiasm shown by the people who attended Wednesday night.

District 36

Grass Lake School District 36 is sending out an informational booklet and opinion poll to all residents of the district, seeking input on future direction for the school. Informational meetings will be at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., on Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 26, and at 1 p.m. Sunday, March 13.

Please try to attend one of these meetings. If you are a resident of the district and have not received this mailing please call the school at 847-395-1550 and request a copy or visit our Web site at: http://www.grasslake.lake.k12.il.us/opinion poll.htm

The poll may be dropped off at the school office, or sent to: Grass Lake School, Opinion Poll, 26177 W. Grass Lake Rd., Antioch, IL 60002, or answered online at the Web site. Your answers to these questions and any additional comments are very important to the district.

Oakland School Twin Club

The school is forming a new club just for twins, either identical or fraternal. The "Twin Club" sponsors are twin teachers, Mrs. Judd and Miss Innis in room 7. The club will learn the answer to "twin questions."

All twins are invited to join, but enroll-

Antioch Junior Woman's Club hosts comedy night

Good food, good fun, and good men

The Antioch Junior Woman's Club's ninth annual fundraiser, "Comedy Night," will take place At 6 p.m. Saturday, March 9 at St. Peter School in the Father Hanley Center. The evening will begin with a delicious lasagna dinner followed by great entertainment. President Betty Ann Ralston and the Ways and Means Committee, headed by Sandy Jacobs and Peggy Kudingo are hard at work planning the event.

We are very excited this year because we are putting a new twist on the event," said entertainment chairperson Laurie Stahl.

"We have a great comedian, Sonya White and we are adding a Mr. AJWC contest this year. Our contestants are members of local Antioch organizations," Stahl said.

White is a Virginia native, now making her home in Chicago. She is said to combine southern charm with big city street smarts. She has had numerous TV appearances, most, recently on Oxygen's "Girl's Behaving Badly."

The contestants will be asked to model formal wear, and creative wear, which should show off their personality, profession or hobby, and perform a talent portion.

The winner will receive a crown, sash and \$250 donation to their particular organization.

Letters were sent out in December to the

Lion's Club, Rotary Club, Police Department,

Fire Department, Jaycees, Rescue Squad, Districts 34 and 117 asking for [participants. The deadline to enter is Feb. 18.

The winner will be asked to ride in Antioch's Easter Parade on March 19.

The event will also feature a silent auction, 50/50 raffle and a \$1,000 vacation voucher from Travel by Design. Raffle tickets are \$5 each of six for \$25. Before the show, and between the acts, audience members will be able to bid on baskets and merchandise donated by members and area businesses.

 "Proceeds from the evening are donated back to the community," Jacobs said. "We have two \$500 scholarships available and we have also made a \$400 donation to ACHS Post Prom activity."

In the past, the club has donated to Antioch Rescue Squad, Guiding Eyes for the Blind, American Cancer Society Relay for Life, Emmons Grade School, District 34, Children's Baptist Home, Burn Camp and many other worthy causes. The philanthropic committee meets in April to decide on the disbursement of funds.

Tickets for the event are available at The State Bank of the Lakes, First National Bank – Employee Owned, and from club members. Tickets will also be sold at the door

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OPEN ARMS



Photo by Sandy Bressner

Open Arms Mission Food Pantry volunteer Dan Sliwa, an eighth-grader at Prince of Peace School in Lake Villa, finishes up a client's order with a gallon of milk during the first night of operation at the pantry's new headquarters on Route 83 in Antioch. The pantry was formerly located at St. Peter Church in Antioch.

which includes not only the food pantry, but also Mother Teresa House, a private home offering transitional housing for single women and mothers

New quarters were not only dictated by the separation from the church, but also by the physical limitations of the old site.

With the parking lot 60 feet from the door, and the offices on one floor and the pantry on another, the building was inaccessible and difficult, even for the staff.

Keenan described how both deliveries into the pantry and food going out, for home deliveries, had to be handed up and down stairs and across the parking lot via a "human chain."

The new location offers a large space on the ground level, with garage doors allowing trucks to pull right up to the pantry for loading and unloading.

The move was made possible by a private donation of a year's rent. The building renovation was funded by Northbridge Church's \$3,000 Christmas Eve offering. Some furniture has been provided courtesy of Frank Curtis, at A-Z Rental.

Adopt Mission the program invites individuals, businesses and organizations to pay all or part of the costs covering a specific need of the all-volunteer mission, whether for the Open Arms Food Pantry, Mother Teresa Home or the operating expanses of the Open Arms Mission organization.

At this point, besides the donation of a year's rent, the mission has received the following pledges or donations: electricity, gas, copying and printing costs, an illuminated sign from Millennium Graphics and Signs (Antioch), car-

peting from Carpet Castle (Lake Villa) and a large donation of food items from Kraft.

Still needed are sponsors for phone service, garbage service and postage.

Besides the ongoing need for food donations, there is a pressing need for non-edibles, such as paper products, toiletries and cleaning products.

"This is gold" Keepan said as he held up a

"This is gold," Keenan said, as he held up a roll of toilet paper. Only a few rolls were left on the shelf.

"I wish there were more cleaning supplies,"
Linda said.

Keenan explained that the perception that

people in need are bad at maintaining their homes stems from hard choices.

"If you don't have money, you think about

"If you don't have money, you think about food first," he said.

At present, the pantry serves 135-145 families a week, with an additional 40 home deliveries for those unable to come to the facility.

Linda plans to express her gratitude to Open Arms by offering her van and her time for home deliveries. According to Keenan, many of the volunteers are former recipients, and some begin as volunteers, and when hit by hard times, turn to Open Arms for help.

The center plans a major event in March to formally announce its presence.

Meanwhile, the pantry will be open from 4:30-6:30 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, with "neighbors helping neighbors" in the Antioch-Lake villa-Lindenhurst area.

For more information, call 847-395-0309.

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> Occupation: librarian

I graduated from: University of Illinois, Purdue University

Community involvement: Active at chain of Lakes Community Bible Church

Hobbies: Gardening and playing the piano

> Favorite Movie: "Gone with the Wind"

Best local restaurant: Casa Bonita in Waukegan

Favorite home-cooked meal: Beef stew

> Person I admire most: Jesus Christ

If I had \$1 million, I would:

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If I had a plane ticket to anywhere, I'd go to: Italy

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BIRTHS

Thomas Jacob Ford, a son, was born Nov. 8 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Michelle Lyons and Matt Ford of Antioch. His brother is Douglas Lyons, age 7. Grandparents are Sharon Brady of Antioch and Dick and Mary Lou Ford of Antioch.

Robert Lee Rohrs III, a son, was born Nov. 2 at Lake Forest Hospital to Robert and Heather Rohrs. His sister is Marinna, age 14. Grandparents are Robert and Florence Rohrs of Antioch and Richard and Joyce Kufalk of Antioch.

Mannie DeKova Facen, a son, was born Jan. 3 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Sheree and Damien Facen of Antioch. His siblings are Lony Collions, Damien Facen Jr. 6, Isaiah, Facen 4, Joshua Facen 3 and Carl Facen 2. Grandparents are Marcus and Robbin Buffeurt of Waukegan and Sarah Allen of Waukegan.

Maverick Michael Dietrich, a son, was born Jan. 8 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Sara Rendon and James Dietrich of Antioch. Grandparents are Anita Witaker; George Rendon of Lake Villa; Donna Brothers and Andy Anderson of Lindenhurst. Great grandparents are Odelia and Eugeno Rendon of Round Lake; Duke and Irene Weber of Lake Villa.

Andrew Michael Black-Mishaan, a son, was born Jan. 21 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Rachel Black and Christopher Mishaan of Antioch. His siblings are Jacob, 3, Kathryn 4 and Abigail 1. Grandparents are Helen and Michael Voit of Lindenhurst; Jack and Karen Black of Mundelein and Marc and Rose Mishaan of Ontario, Calif. Great grandparents are Patricia Black of Chicago and Harry and Mary Meier of Beaver Dam, Wis.

Kayla Marle Watanabe, a daughter, was born Jan. 20, at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Amy and Wendell Watanabe of Kenosha, Wis. Grandparents are Gary and Sue Hendrickson of Antioch and Melvin and Martha Watanabe of Libertyville. Great grandparent is Dolores Prepelica of Vernon Hills.

Mason Alexander Bryson, a son, was born Jan. 17 at Condell Medical Center to Shannon Abbott and Anthony Bryson of Antioch. Grandparents are Joe and Kathy Abbott of Antioch; Sue and Stephen Bryson of Antioch and Donald and Carla Swiatkowski of McHenry.

Elle Ipsen, a daughter, was born Jan. 14 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Kent and Ginger Ipsen of Antioch. Grandparents are Fred and Claudette Skvarce of Antioch and Brad and Ellen Ipsen of Antioch.

Amber Nicole Rousseau, a daughter, was born Jan. 20 at Lake Forest Hospital to Derek and April Rousseau of Trevor, Wis. Grandparents are Madalyn Rousseau of Chandler, Ariz. and Dan and Rhonda Rousseau of Antioch.

Miranda Rose Jones, a daughter, was born Jan. 20 at Lake Forest Hospital to Shawn and Brenda Jones. Her sister is Sara, 15 months. Grandparents are Dan and Linda Runyard of Antioch and Skip and Ann Mason of Waukegan.

CALENDARS

Friday, February 11

8 p.m., "Macbeth," presented by PM&L.Theatre Feb. 11-20*, Fri., Sat., Sun.* (*Sundays 2:30 p.m.)at 877 N. Main St. Call 847-395-3055 or go to www.pmltheatre.com for tickets.

Saturday, February 12

12:30-3 p.m., Lake Co. Area Computer Enthusiasts hosts "Alternate Web Browsers" at the Grayslake Library, 100 Library Ln. Also, discussion of digital music, and how to use MP3s. Visit www.lcace.org or call Dwight (J.J.) Johnson at 847-623-3815.

Sunday, February 13

7-9 p.m., Open gym Sundays at Antioch Community High School, cost \$2, adults only.

2-4 p.m., MS Support Group meets at Condell Medical Center, Libertyville. Call 847-549-8971.

2 p.m., Arthritis support group meets second Sundays at Condell Memorial Hospital in Libertyville, Call Martha at 847-362-0889,

Monday, February 14

12:45 p.m., Bingo held Mondays at The Antioch Senior Center. Call 847-395-7120 for details.

7-9 p.m., Lakes Area Community Band rehearses at ACHS. Call Debbie Davis at 847-395-0272.

9:30-11:30 a.m., Prairie Patch Quilting Guild meets at Shepherd of the Lakes, Grayslake, 847-223-5759.

1:30 p.m., Valentine's Day Party at The Community Library, 110 S. Lake Ave. Twin Lakes. Valentine stories, special craft and a Valentine treat. Ages 2 to 5 years old. Registration required. Call 262-877-4281.

Tuesday, February 15

6:45 p.m., Bingo at Antioch VFW. Doors open 4:30 p.m. Call 847-395-5393 for more information.

7-8 p.m., Weigh to Win at Calvary Christian Center, Monaville Rd., Lake Villa. Call 847-356-6181.

7:30 p.m., Chain O'Lakes Model A Ford Club meets at Lake Villa City Park, Fairfield & Grand Ave.

Noon, Kiwanis Club of Antioch meets at Double Eagle Restaurant. Call Melissa at 847-489-8044 or e-mail her at mjrigoni@hotmail.com to learn more.

6-8 p.m., Bariatric Treatment Centers hosts a dance & exercise class at Antioch Senior Center, 817 Holbeck Dr. Call Karen at 847-395-6244.

7 p.m., School Board meeting, Grass Lake Dist. #36.

9:30 a.m., Moms' Club of Lake Villa/Lindenhurst meets at Lake Villa Library, 1001 Grand Ave. Call Danielle Brumm at 815-675-9028 to learn more.

6 p.m., International Association of Administrative Professionals meets at Grayslake Library, 100 Library Ln. Call Carol Zmijewski at 847-578-8409 or visit www.iaap-illinois.org/greaterlakes/.

Wednesday, February 16

10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sled-a-thon for tsunami victims, hosted by Lake County Home-Oriented Unique Schooling Experience, at Caboose Park Hill, Lake Villa. Call Rita at 847-546-7729 or go to www.kolar-fraser.com/sled-a-thon/sled-a-thon.htm.

7 p.m., Village of Antioch Park Board meets at the Municipal Building. Call 847-395-1000 to confirm.

7 p.m., Burlington Genealogical Society meets at the Public Library, Pine & Jefferson Sts. Call Marion at 414-763-6981 or Merilyn at 414-728-2225.

7:30 p.m., The Republican Club meets at Antioch Twp. Hall, Call 847-395-1670 for more information.

4-6 p.m.; Low-cost immunizations of all types offered by Lake County Health Department at Antioch VFW Post #4451, 75 North Ave. Call Health Dept. at 847-360-6761 to learn more.

6:30 p.m., TOPS weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting at Antioch Senior Center, 817 Holbeck, Wednesdays. Call Dorothy Stark at 847-395-7407 or Betty Muller at 847-838-3907 for more information.

7-9 p.m., The Shutterbugs photography club meets at Volo Bog State Natural Area. Ages 16 to adult welcome. Call 815-344-1294 for details.

Thursday, February 17

12-2 p.m., Advocates for FMS (Fibromyalgia) support group meets in the Community Building, 884 Main St. Call Kathy at 847-395-3716.

7:30 p.m., Antioch Com. High School Board meets.

Friday, February 18

7 p.m., Lake County Home-Oriented Unique Schooling Experience meeting. February's topic will be Teaching Multi-Ages. Call Gloria at gtcharland@aol.com or 847-587-0355 for information.

Saturday, February 19

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Lake Co. Home & Outdoor Living Expo, Feb. 19-20, Sat.-Sun., at Lake County Fairgrounds, Rt. 45 & 120, Grayslake. Call 847-231-4000 to learn more.



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HOMETOWNSPORTS

HASTINGS LAKE STINGRAYS ROUNDUP

at the Iguana Invite earlier this month. The following are some of the top swimmers.

Girls 8 and under

Theresa Gray: 25 Free (15.72); 50 Free (36.75); 100 Free (1:22.70); 25 Back (19.23); 25 Breast (21.32); 50 Breast (47.64); 25 Butterfly (21.10); 100 IM (1:35.61)

Danielle Kolz: 25 Free (16.14); 50 Free (35.58); 100 Free (1:19.35); 25 Breast (20.95); 50 Breast (47.89); 25 Butterfly (19.55); 50 Butterfly (44.09); 100 IM (1:29.82)

Lisa Buehler: 100 Free (1:47.12); 25 Breast (25.74)

Girls 9-10

Allie Kolz: 50 Free (34.28); 200 Free (2:47.43); 50 Back (38.62); 100 Back (1:23.02); 50 Butterfly (38.11); 100 Butterfly (1:34.51); 100 IM (1:25.89); 200 IM (3:01.86)

Michele Hartmann: 50 Free (35.05); 100 Free (1:18.17); 200 Free (2:48.34); 50 Breast (42.50); 100 Breast (1:35.57); 50 Butterfly (41.10); 100 IM (1:29.00)

Lissy De La Chapelle: 50 Free (37.00); 100 Free (1:24.15); 200 Free (3:06.05); 100 Back (1:40.42); 50 Butterfly (45.77)

Devon Brown: 50 Free (37.00); 100 Free (1:24.48); 200 Free (3:03.03); 50 Back (40.99); 100 Back (1:25.98); 50 Breast (41.38); 100 Breast (1:29.06); 100 IM (1:22.11)

Megan Landry: 50 Back (42.17) Maggie Majewski: 50 Breast (45.14); 100 Breast (1:39.09)

Girls 11-12

Mesa Schmidt: 50 Free (27.86); 100 Free (1:00.32); 200 Free (2:09.48); 500 Free (5:43.92); 50 Butterfly (31.37); 100 Butterfly (1:08.21);100 IM (1:10.63); 200 IM 2:27.64)

Michelle Garland: 50 Free (28.07); 100 Free 1:00.73); 50 Back (32.43); 50 Breast (33.32); 100 Breast (1:13.67); 50 Butterfly (29.54); 100 Butterfly (1:06.69); 100 IM (1:07.14)

Dominique Bessette: 50 Free (28.27); 50 Back (31.78); 100 Back (1:09.48); 50 Breast

The Stingrays finished first out of 10 teams (36.69); 100 Breast (1:17.98); 50 Butterfly (31.25);100 IM (1:08.76); 200 IM (2:31.04)

Shannon Zalewski: 100 Free (1:01.75); 200 Free (2:11.78); 100 Back (1:11.45); 50 Butterfly

Stephanie Kramer: 100 Free (1:05.44); 200 Free (2:18.49); 50 Butterfly (34.79); 100 IM (1:19.03)

Jennifer Wisbey: 100 Free (1:11.42); 100 Back (1:20.57)

Katharine Majewski: 50 Back (33.31); 100 Back (1:13.15); 100 Breast (1:19.67); 50 Butterfly (31.75); 100 IM (1:11.10); 200 IM (2:32.67)

Rachel Burg: 50 Back (36.76); 50 Breast (39.36); 100 Breast (1:27.37);100 IM (1:20.33); 200 IM (2:51.25)

Taylor Aerne: 50 Butterfly (34.59)

Girls 14 and under

Danielle Lindquist 50 Free (27.99); 100 Free (1:02.70); 500 Free (6:14.62); 100 Back (1:10.14); 100 Butterfly (1:15.58)

Kelly Garland: 50 Free (28.80); 200 Free (2:20.59); 100 Breast (1:24.43); 200 Breast (3:02.00); 200 IM (2:38.14)

Molly Snittjer: 100 Free (1:03.26); 100 Back (1:08.42); 200 Back (2:33.63); 100 Butterfly (1:06.20); 200 Butterfly (2:41.64); 200 IM (2:36.31)

Katie Ostrander: 200 Free (2:18.48); 100 Breast (1:19.69); 100 Breast ((2:53.79)

Anne Mattingly: 100 Back (1:09.26) Emma Regnier: 100 Breast (1:15.92);200 IM (2:30.15)

Alyson Craig: 200 Breast (3:15.93)

Girls 15 and over

Emily Meyer: 50 Free (27.64); 100 Free (1:01.23); 200 Free (2:13.82); 100 Back (1:11.99); 100 Breast (1:17.57); 200 Breast (2:48.24); 100 Butterfly (1:14.71); 200 IM (2:30.76)

Bethany Brooker: 50 Free (28.32); 100 Free (1:02.32); 200 Free (2:13.82); 100 Back (1:10.41); 200 Back (2:30.93); 200 Breast (2:49.42); 100 Butterfly (1:15.18); 200 IM

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Westlake Academy wins in overtime

Coming off a 10-point loss to Grace Baptist the previous night, Westlake Academy traveled to Rockford last Saturday to take on the Berean Baptist Kingmen.

The Eagles struggled out of the gate defensively, allowing 20 first-quarter points. However, the team was able to buckle down after that, holding the Kingsmen to just 32 points in the final three quarters, winning 53-52 in overtime.

"When we play defense for four quarters we win games and our guys are starting to realize that," Westlake coach Jason Smith said.

Andy Rdzok came up huge for Westlake, scoring 32 points. Mike Hendon also chipped in with 11 points and provided some big offensive rebounds for the team.

Nick Hines sparked a third-quarter tun, scoring all of his eight points in the quarter as Westlake began its comeback from 10 points

The Eagles managed to fight back and take the lead, but then surrendered in, and trailed

by five with two minutes left in the game before coming back to send the game to over-

The overtime period went back-andforth, with Rdzok going to the free-throw line with two seconds left in the extra session. He missed the first but made the second to give the Eagles a one-point lead. Sammy Beltran then stole the ensuing inbounds pass to seal the win.

"We are playing our best ball of the season right now," Smith said. "Everyone is stepping up and making plays. The guys are learning what it means to be a team, which has been one of our goals throughout the year."

Up next for Westlake is the University Lake School from Heartland, Wis. The Eagles will host the game on Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at Frederick School in Grayslake.

They are undefeated in conference, but we will compete if we play defense like we are capable of," Smith said.

LOCAL SPORTS DIGEST

Volunteers needed for tennis clinic

Celeste Pregracke, a 2004 lake County Sports Hall of Fame Inductee, will run two tennis clinics for the developmentally disabled at the College Park Athletic Club on Saturday, Feb. 26 and Saturday, March 12. The clinics will run from 5-9 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to help feed and retrieve balls and to help teach. Helpers need not be professional teachers or top players as most will assist a court leader.

Anyone wishing to attend should contact Celeste at 847-662-5038.

Coaching clinic approaching

American Sport Education Program (ASEP) will conduct a coaching clinic on Feb. 27 at the Holiday Inn Express in Arlington Heights for anyone interested in becoming certified to coach middle or high school athletics.

The successful completion of the ASEP leader level program is required by the Illinois High School Association for all non-faculty coaches. To register, or for more information, contact Jeff Kyle at 217-586-4799.

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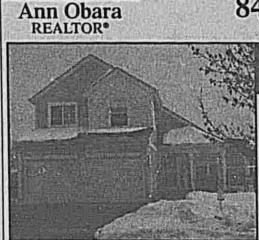
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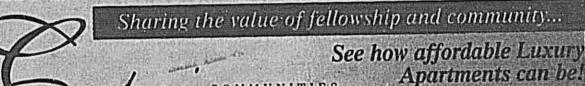
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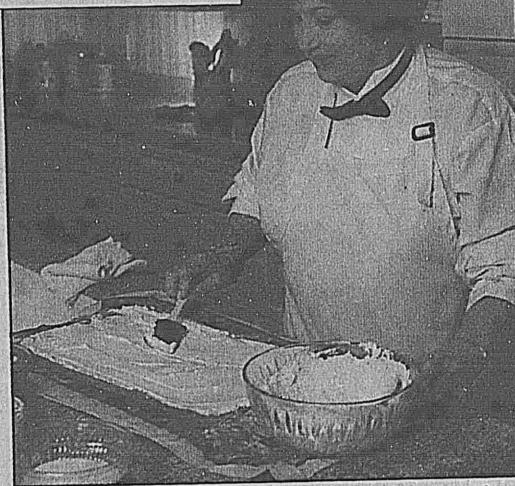
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Cotton Patch Gospel

The PM&L, 877 Main Street, will host a special event on the weekend of Feb. 25. Bob Wang of Bristol will present the Cotton Patch Gospel, based on the book "The Cotton Patch Version of Matthew and John," by Clarence Jordan. The country/folk music was the final work created by Harry Chapin. It brings a strong message to the stage in a fun-loving, entertaining and thought-provoking way.

The musical comedy of the Gospel is told with a southern twist and is appropriate for all ages. Show times are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 25-26, and Saturday and Sunday, Feb.27-27 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for all ages and reservations can be made at the box office by calling 847-395-3055 during regular hours.

Crafters wanted

The Antioch V.F.W. at 75 North Ave., is planning for their Spring Arts and Crafts Show, which is scheduled for March12-13.

So far there are more than 70 exhibitors who will show their handcrafted creations. However, the VFW is looking for additional crafters who would like to exhibit their creations.

Crafters who would like more information are invited to call Dorothee at 847-395-6934.

Income tax help

The Antioch Public Library District, 757 Main St., is the place to go for help with income taxes if you are a Senior citizen or head of a low-income family. The American Association of Retired People will help patrons from 10 a.m. to 2p.m. Thursdays for those who have made an appointment. To do so, call 847-395-0874 for your one-hour appointment. Patrons should bring their 2003 tax return, W-2s, all 1099s, 1099 R, Social Security number, K-1 stocks and stock sales and costs.

Chorus invites singers

The Antioch Community chorus invites those who love to sing to join their group. All voice parts are needed. The chorus will present John Stainer's "The Crucifixion" at 7:30 p.m. Palm Sunday, March 20, at the Benedictine Abbey.

Rehearsals will be from 1-3 p.m. on Sundays, beginning Feb. 13, at the Antioch United Methodist Church, 848 Main Street.

More information is available by calling director Chris Bolin at 847-395-3195 or Ken Smouse, president of the Festival of Arts of Antioch at 847-395-1333.

Health Screenings

The Antioch Fire Department will be hosting a health screening for the community on Thursday, March 17th. The screening will be held at 835 Holbek Dr. and will be open to the public.

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Antioch Fine Arts Foundation Gallery

Antioch Fine Arts Foundation Gallery hosts a free acoustic folk music song circle on the second Saturday of every month from 1–4 p.m. Come enjoy an afternoon of music and fine art by local artists at 983 Main St. in Antioch. For more information call 847-838-2274.

Special Events

Friends of the Wetlands is a volunteer group formed to maintain and enhance the William E. Brook Wetland Sanctuary in downtown Antioch. We are looking for volunteers who would like to help with this project. We meet once a month to work on planning, cleaning, and planting. Our goals for this year are to continue to clear the wetlands of Reed Canary Grass, European Buckthorn, and Garlic Mustard, and to stabilize the shoreline by planting native plants. We are also looking for someone to help us apply for grants and donations. You don't have to have a green thumb to join in; in fact, most of us have brown thumbs! If you can help, please call Billie Horton, Department of Special Events at 847-395-6342.

The 4th of July Committee will hold it's first meeting of the year on February 17, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building at 884 Main Street. If you would like to help with this event, please call Billie Horton, Special Events Coordinator at 847-395-6342.

The Professional Walleye Tournament is coming to the Fox Chain of Lakes in April this year. The Village of Antioch, Antioch Chamber of Commerce, the Village of Fox Lake and the Fox Lake Chamber of Commerce are hosting this event. We are looking for volunteers to help during the tournament on April 20th to the 23rd. Antioch is also sponsoring a Meet The Pros Night at the VFW in Antioch on Saturday, April 16th from 6–9 p.m. If you are interested in helping, please contact Billie Horton, Special Events Coordinator at 847-395-6342.

Macbeth

PM&L's next production is one of Shakespeare's best-known tragedies, Macbeth, directed by Fran Jansta of Antioch at the PM&L. Theatre, 877 Main St., Antioch. Show dates are Feb. 11, 12, 18 and 19 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 13 and 20 at 2:30 p.m. Call 847-395-3055 for reservations.

LIBRARYNEWS

Feb. 13, Sunday, 2 p.m. Adult Board Game and Cards Afternoon

Are you tired of being cooped up in the house this winter? Bring your favorite board game or deck of cards and play with friends of makes new ones. Adults only are invited and refreshments will be served. Reservations are recommended, Please call 847-395-0874.

Feb.17, Thursday, 7 p.m. "Water Features"

Don Guzman, landscape advisor and answer-man, will discuss how to build, maintain, light, and plant for waterfalls, streams, pond-less waterfalls, ponds and dry creekbeds.

Reservations are recommended. Please call 847-395-0874.

Feb. 27, Sunday, 2 p.m. Learn to Play Chess

Zack Simonini, a local chess enthusiast, will lead the instruction. Bring a chess set if you have one. Reservations are recommended. Please call 847-395-0874.

Junior Woman's Club offers scholarships

The Antioch Junior Woman's Club is offering two Community Scholarship Awards of \$500. Any female or male who resides within the Antioch Township is eligible if they are a current full-time student at a two- or four-year college or university, or if they are a current high school senior who intends on enrolling on a full-time basis at a r college university.

Scholarship forms are available at the Antioch Parks Office and at ACHS, LCHS and Carmel High Schools.

The AJWC is an organization that serves the Antioch community through charitable and philanthropic activities while promoting intellectual development and sociability among its members. AJWC is open to any female that resides in Antioch Township and would like to make contributions toward the objectives of AJWC. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month (September – May).

PARKS

Dance Academy

Parent & Toddler Class (ages 16 months-three years old): This is a half- hour class which is designed to get even the youngest of dancers to have fun and learn to follow music with the help of a parent or caregiver. Class held at the Dance Academy on McMillan Rd. in Antioch from 9 – 9:30 a.m. on Mondays. Session 4: 2/14 – 3/21. Fee: \$37/42, Preschool Tap & Ballet (ages 3 – 4 years old): Class held at Dance Academy from 9:45 – 10:30 a.m. on Mondays. Session 4: 2/14 – 3/21. Fee: \$43/48.

Teen Hip-Hop Class (ages 13 and up): Learn to dance in the style of the music video stars of today. Classes run monthly on Tuesdays from 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. Fee: \$43/48.

Adult Hip Hop Class held on Fridays from 6–6:45 p.m. Fee: \$40/45 per month. Cheerleading Class: (ages 6 – 9 years) taught by Jen Fritsch is held on Fridays from 4:15 – 5 p.m. Monthly Fee: \$40/45.

American Stars of Dance

Parent n' Tot Class (ages 18 mos. – three years): This 45-minute class includes play-acting, obstacle courses and creative movement as well as stretching. The class will give children a structured play experience away from home with other children of the same age and a parent or caregiver. Class held at American Stars at 237 Depot St. on Fridays from 9:15 – 10 a.m. Session 4: 2/18 – 3/25. Fee: \$45/50.

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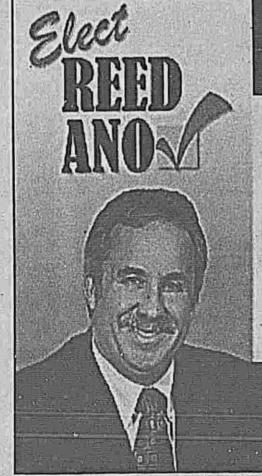
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X High rate of early graduates 'alarming'

100 students leave ACHS end in January

By Matt Pera

Staff Reporter

It's true that most high school students can't wait for graduation day, when they can head to college or work with newfound inde-

At Antioch Community High School, and nearly every other school in Illinois, those students don't necessarily have to wait four years.

But an inordinately high number of students opted to graduate from ACHS early this year, making the last day of school Jan. 14 for 100 out of 500 seniors.

In a recent statement, ACHS Principal Jon Crawford said the fact that 20 percent of the senior class of 2005 would not be in school for the entire four years was "alarming" because "it's not good for a kid getting ready for col-

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Last year, 67 students opted to graduate early from a class of about the same size as that of 2005.

School officials at ACHS said they are looking for ways to "reverse the trend" of midterm graduation, and surveyed all early graduates this year about why they decided to leave pre-

District 117 Superintendent Jay Sabatino said the answers on the survey were diverse, He added that in many cases, early graduation wasn't a bad thing.

He explained that it allowed some students to work and save money for college, while others were getting a jumpstart on posthigh school academics by attending the College of Lake County.

Of course, some said they were just bored with, or sick of, high-school and wanted out. Others said they didn't like the rules and regulations at ACHS. And if they completed their requisite 22 1/2 credits, no one could stop them from leaving early.

But Sabatino said that is not necessarily the purpose of midterm graduation.

"If a student is graduating and there is not something to go to, that would be a cause of concern," he said. "If my daughter just wanted to sit around for six months then I would be concerned. But if my son said, 'I got into college, I want to work and set money aside,' then I think that's a pretty responsible thing to do."

Sabatino said it was important for facul-

ty and staff to encourage students who were uncertain about their plans after high school to stick around for an extra semester and take electives that interested them.

"Most everyone who passes their classes is eligible to graduate early," he explained.
"What I would say is look at some classes you typically wouldn't take (in the final semester). You don't know what might interest you and you don't know what you may run into."

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SINGING FOLK



The band Loose Change and Friends, played folk music for the crowd at the Lake Villa District Library.

Osmond assigned as spokesperson

JoAnn Osmond (R-Antioch), state representative for the 61st District, will serve as spokesperson for the Committee on Health Care Availability and Access. Osmond said her committee will try to reform litigation in regard to healthcare.

Illinois' healthcare system is in critical condition and in need of substantial reform since it currently allows excessive and frivolous litigation. This creates the opportunity for sky-rocketing awards for medical liability lawsuits. That in turn increases the medical liability

insurance out of reach for some doctors who then leave the state.

The victims are the patients facing decreased access to quality care," Osmond said. "Our doctors are fleeing to neighboring states that have instituted caps because their malpractice insurance premiums are signifi-cantly lower than those who are forced to pay to practice in Illinois."

Osmond will also participate on the committee for Aging, Appropriations, Public Safety, Insurance and Civil Law.

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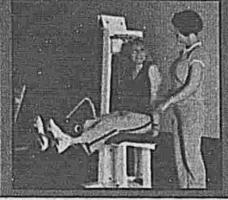
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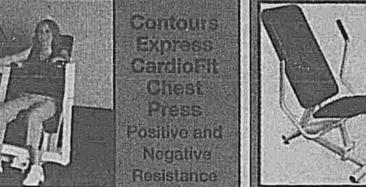


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A conversation with **Annasophia Robb**

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

 Jessica Harling sings about old-time summer with the rest of the Curvaceous Curly-Girlies in the Carmel student production Cruisin' Summer. The Cruisin' Summer production is the student addition to Carmel High School's Street Scenes. 2. Felipe Fisher and Julie Przywara are lovebirds enjoying a 1900s summer. 3. Mike Konrath, or Uni-Mike, rides his unicycle, during a circus scene. 4. John Paul Hertel, flies a kite during a summer long ago, in the Carmel High School student show Cruisin' Summer.

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ANTIOCH PUBLIC BARY DISTRICT 757 MAINST. MENT ANTIOCH, IL 60002 Street Scenes

By MATT PERA Staff Reporter

During the weekend of Feb. 11 and 12, Carmel High School students and teachers may have a hard time recognizing the once-familiar classrooms and hallways in which they dwell.

Where there the gym once was, there will be a Las Vegas-like casino where people can play craps, black jack, poker and roulette. The lunchroom will be transformed into the Carmel Rock Café, complete with a dance floor. Classrooms will become lounges, cabarets and comedy clubs.

It is all a part of Carmel Street Scenes, the annual fundraiser for the high school that is now in its 31st year.

'They actually call it the largest party in Lake County," Maureen Balzer, CHS marketing director, said. "The whole school is transformed into a cabaret and casino and Irish pub. It's really a festival. It's a party town atmosphere with bands, food and drink. Last year more than 7,000 people attended."

Balzer said those 7,000-plus people donated approximately \$380,000 at last year's Street Scenes. And this year, with increased enrollment, she said an even bigger turnout is anticipated.

Carmel students will have a chance to preview Street Scenes Thursday, Feb.

10, on student night. But Friday and Saturday are strictly for the adults, as no one under 21 years of age is admitted to the event.

Each year, Street Scenes develops a different theme for the event. This year's premise is "Cruisin' Route 66."

The crowds attending Street Scenes over the weekend will have a variety of options to choose from for entertainment, food and other activities.

Shows will run continuously throughout both nights, beginning at 7 p.m. and ending at about 12:30 a.m.

Residents from Grayslake, Waukegan and Lake Zurich, among others, have each put together shows for a particular room in the school.

The performances will include spinoffs of the movie Shrek 2 and the TV show The Simple Life.

There will also be several comedy and improvisation acts available to patrons.

Grayslake-based performer Special Ed will bring his blend of acoustic music and comedy to Street Scenes.

Publicity Director Celeste French, whose daughter, Amanda, is a senior at CHS, said people in attendance would be impressed with the performances. "Every year it's a little better and

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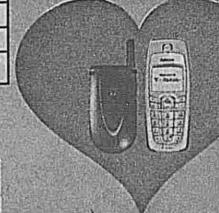
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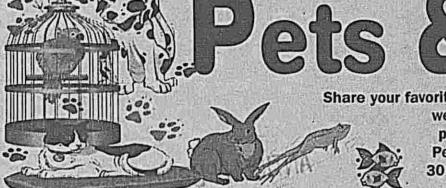
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Pet insurance may help keep pets healthy

Most people wouldn't dream of going without insurance for themselves and their families, but what happens when a beloved pet suddenly gets ill or has some kind of accident? Veterinary bills can add up and put a financial burden on the household when there is a crisis, but until a few years ago, the idea of having insurance for pets seemed ridiculous. These days more and more people are taking advantage of pet insur-

ance to ensure that their pet will receive the best care available should an emergency arise.

Dr. Barbara Kitchell, who heads the medical oncology service at the University of Illinois Veterinary Teaching Hospital in Urbana, knows that treatment for cancer can be very costly. "I think that pet insurance is well worth the investment for my cancer clients," comments Dr. Kitchell. "The insurance companies have been very good about paying out, allowing people to afford otherwise cost-prohibitive therapy. I am even thinking about getting it for my own animals!"

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Dr. Pamela Jones, a veterinary oncology resident at the hospital, adds, "The thing that I have heard people say most often about pet insurance is 'I thought about getting pet insurance, but I didn't and now it is too late. I wish that I had gotten

Several companies currently offer pet insurance in the United States. They offer a variety of plans to fit your pet's individual needs. Most policies require that the veterinary bill be paid by the client at the time that the veterinary service is provided. The client must then submit a claim to the insurance company, which reimburses the client. Some of the companies

require that a flat deductible be paid, while others require that a percentage of each visit be covered by the client.

One of the benefits of having pet insurance is that many of the policies available cover not only emergency care but also routine expenses such as vaccinations and routine surgery such as neutering and spaying.

Another type of pet insurance that is steadily gaining popularity with pet owners is one that

resembles a human HMO. With this type of policy, the pet owner is not required to pay the bill. Instead, the veterinarian must submit the paperwork to the insurance company in order to be paid for the services provided. This type of coverage may be attractive to pet owners, but may not be as widely accepted by veterinarians because of the paperwork involved.

Some of the pet insurance companies are not approved in all 50 states, so if you decide to purchase pet insurance, make

sure that the policy you buy is valid in your state.

There is no doubt that veterinary pet insurance will continue to grow in popularity as more and more people make pets a part of their families. For more information about pet insurance, contact the following companies:

Veterinary Pet Insurance, 1-800-USA-PETS, www.petinsurance.com.

Premier Pet Insurance, 1-877-774-2273, www.ppins.com.
PetCare Pet Insurance Programs, 1-866-275-PETS, www.petcarepals.com.

Petshealth Care Plan, 1-800-807-6724, www.petshealth-plan.com

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Foxie Foxie, 8, is a domesti

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Foxie, 8, is a domestic shorthair calico who came to Save-A-Pet in 2000, was adopted and then came back four years later because her owner died. She needs a low-stress environment and can handle all the attention you can give her. She loves being around people.

Foxle



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Hitchcock



Ace

attention.

Ace came to Save-A-Pet as a stray and is 3. He loves to follow you around like a second shadow. He's not good with kids or other cats but is very attentive and loves to "steal laps."

Ace



Keno

Keno is a two-year-old plump cocker spaniel who was adopted out twice but could not handle being alone for long stretches (he doesn't like crates). Keno would love older kids and is good with other dogs, but not cats.

Keno



Zander

Zander, a pure white American Eskimo, is recovering from hip surgery and will make a full recovery. He'd love to join your child-free home, be petted and snuggle with you, and take all the attention you can give.

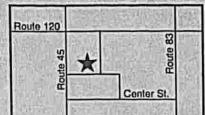
Zander

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Wild animal encounters at Brookfield Zoo

Have you or someone you know ever wondered what it would be like to be a marine mammal trainer? If so, Brookfield Zoo has an exciting new program, "Wild Encounters," that offers a chance-of-a-lifetime to spend time with the trainers and experience up-close interactions with the zoo's dolphins and pinnipeds—walruses, seals and sea lions.

Trainer for a Day offers a behind-the-scenes experience in which participants work side by side with trainers to learn how these magnificent creatures are trained and why training is an essential part of the zoo's animal programs. This four-hour program is offered Thursdays through Sundays year-round. The cost is \$300 per person. A maximum of two people may register per day. Participants must be 12 years or older.

Deckside with the Dolphins is a 60-minute program that allows participants to join one of the zoo's Dolphin Show presenters to discover how and why the dolphins are trained for various behaviors. This program is offered from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. during February. The cost is \$150 per person, with a maximum of six people per day. A paying adult participant must accompany children between 8 and 11 years old.

The third Wild Encounters program is Pinniped Pals. During this unique 90-minute session, learn about the zoo's walruses, sea lions and seals. This program is offered from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Thursday through Sunday from June 1-Oct. 31. The cost is \$100 per person, with a maximum of six people per day. A paying adult participant must accompany children between 8 and 11 years old.

To register for one of the new Wild Encounters programs contact Brookfield Zoo's Education Department at 708-485-0263, ext. 361, or visit the zoo's Web site, www.brookfield-zoo.org, to download the registration form.

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'Satire Night Live' makes 2 appearances

Round Lake High School Feb. 12

Round Lake High School Theatre Department hosts award-winning improvisational comedy troupe, Improv Unlimited, presenting their hit show "Satire Night Live" on Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m., at the Round Lake High School Theatre at 800 High School Drive, Round Lake. Tickets are \$8 and may be purchased by calling 847-270-9300, ext 5339.

"We were looking for a great show that everyone in the family could enjoy, while also raising money to benefit our high school theatre program." said Garry Ebel, Drama Director. "Improv Unlimited is known locally and internationally as a delightfully funny theatre group that has entertained audiences in Japan, New Zealand, Australia, Europe and Japan, we can only hope people take advantage of this and witness this wonderful art."

Improvisational comedy should be accessible to everyone," said Chris Bell, of Improv Unlimited. "Currently, improv is concentrated in Chicago and very inconvenient to suburban residents. Our goal is to expand our talent, grow our resources, and make improvisational comedy an economic and geographically viable entertainment option for friends and family."

Improv Unlimited boasts 24 members and features past and present performers from Chicago's most prestigious comedy improv theatres. "Satire Night Live" is Improv Unlimited's high energy concert show featuring improv skits similar to those seen on popular shows like "Whose Line is it Anyway?" and original sketches. The show is filled with audience participation. In one of the sketches, a member of the audience will become the first person in town to fly in the air during a super hero sketch.

Reservations are recommended by calling 847-270-9300, ext 5339.

Grayslake High School Feb. 18

Grayslake High School Drama students hosts award-winning improvisational comedy troupe, Improv Unlimited, presenting their hit show "Satire Night Live" on Feb. 18 at 7:30 p.m., at Grayslake High School Theatre, 400 North Lake Street in Grayslake. Tickets are \$8 and may be purchased by calling 847-223-1118.

"We were looking for a great show that everyone in the family could enjoy, while also raising money to benefit our high school drama program ENCORE! ENCORE! is for students who wish to be involved in the high school's theatre program. Its primary purpose is to produce a season of three plays-a comedy, a drama, and a musical-and student-directed one-acts. Additionally, ENCORE! provides social and educational opportunities in the theatre by sponsoring trips to see professional, community, and high school shows in the area, and by arranging and attending state and local theatre festivals and competitions, ENCORE! also sponsors the annual variety show and provides technical assistance to other groups using the theatre.

Reservations are recommended by calling 847-223-1118

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Seinfeld to perform at Genesee

By Kyle Schmitt

Staff Reporter

Jerry Seinfeld, the performer who turned a "show about nothing" into a television classic, will return to the live stage by himself this spring to entertain his fans in Waukegan.

The stand-up comic will perform at the Genesee Theatre at 7 p.m. April 30. Tickets for the date go on-sale to the general public at 10 a.m. Feb. 11.

The booking marked a successful conclusion to a lengthy recruitment process, as theater representatives looked for several months toward the possibility of signing Seinfeld for a performance.

Seinfeld had been suggested as a desired performer since the day he took his office, said Genesee General Manager David Rovine, "so I guess you could say he's been one of the tar-

geted names and acts we've been looking for."
"We are thrilled," said Genesee Theatre Marketing Manager Michelle Wilmoth, who said there was a "buzz around the theater" over the Seinfeld booking.

"Any time we can bring in an elite entertainers, let alone a name like Jerry Seinfeld to Waukegan, it speaks volumes about what people on the outside think about the theater."

In talking with other SMG venue representatives, Rovine said he was told that Seinfeld "is a lock" to draw public interest and sell tickets. "His name comes up first and foremost because he's a superstar.'

Only one performance has been booked, and Rovine cautioned residents against waiting for a second show that may not be scheduled. "Let's get it sold out and we'll see what happens.'

Seinfeld has been touring since last year, and performed in South Carolina and Virginia earlier this week. After his sitcom ended in 1998, he appeared that year in a stand-up comedy film filmed on Broadway, "I'm Telling You for the Last Time." He was also featured in the 2002 documentary iim Comedian, which chronicled his return to the comedy



Jerry Seinfeld will be performing April 30. Tickets go on sale Feb. 11.

club circuit.

Theater representatives also announced this week that the Chicago Gold 40th Anniversary groups would perform at the Genesee at 7:30 p.m. April 16.

The tour of Chicagoland natives will bring three 1960s rock bands to the same stage. The Buckinghams, famed for their hit song "Kind of a Drag," will perform with the Ides of March and the Cryan Shames.

While the theater has hosted musical groups since re-opening, Wilmoth said representatives would continue to sign electric bands, drawing the line at those that possess the potential to cause damage to the building.

"Obviously, we're going to have very respectable musical acts," Wilmoth said. "We definitely want people who are going to enjoy playing here."

Tickets for Jerry Seinfeld are priced at \$47 for the rear balcony, \$62 for the middle balcony and back sections of the main floor and \$77 for the orchestra section and front balcony area. There is an eight-ticket limit for this

The Chicago Gold performance tickets are priced at \$27, \$37 and \$52, and went on sale Feb. 5. This marks the first date for the theater's next Saturday hours, which will be from 12 to 4 p.m.

Tickets for both events may be purchased at the Genesee Theatre box office, all Ticketmaster outlets, charge-by-phone at 312-559-1212 or online at www.ticketmaster.com.

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U. S. Marine Corps Band comes to Zion



Staff Sgt. Jesse Barta, Marine Band San Diego's drum major, led four Marine bands through the Rose Parade in Pasadena, Calif., Jan. 1. Photo by Cpl. Jess Levens

A special performance by the Marine Corps Band from San Diego, Calif. will entertain the public at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 15 at Zion Benton Township High School, 3901 21st St. in Zion. Admission is free.

The performance is sponsored by the Marine Corps Recruiting Station of Chicago with support from Lake County Marine Corp League Detachment 801.

The Marines, in full regalia, have a tradition of delighting young and old with an inspiring collection of musical compositions.

The driver on the bus says 'Move on back'

s a child I enjoyed pestering other bus passengers with endless renditions of ditties like "The Wheels of the Bus" during special trips downtown with my dad's mother. Usually riders were goodnatured about my impromptu audition for "Most Irritating Juvenile of 1963." Perhaps they even welcomed my caterwauling as a distraction from the world outside the bus windows.

Not knowing anything else, I viewed the passing tenements, vacant lots, and barred storefronts with ignorant detachment. I was accustomed to a Detroit in economic decline, and, as a white from the suburbs, blind to the endless poverty and hopelessness.

On one trip another child joined me as I belted out a particularly strident note in a stanza, like, "The dri-

ver on the bus says 'Mooove on Back.' Before we could finish our duet, I was shocked out of my innocent complacency by an adult's hateful words, "You STAY AWAY from that Negro girl, you hear." This was my first bitter taste of racism-delivered by my own grandmother.



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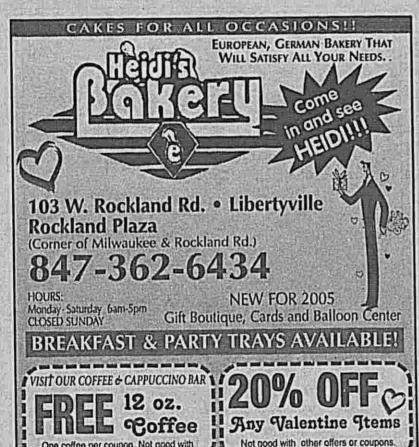
Not surprisingly, riots broke out on those very streets by the summer of 1967. Army tanks rolled down the expressway behind our house. My dad, reporting on the riots for The Detroit News, came home with his face bloodied, recounting incidents of frightening violence. I was scared and confused, and remained that way until I roomed with an African-American at the University of Michigan. Like me, Sherry was on scholarship. Unlike me, growing up "low income" meant facing the never-ending threat of prejudice. I asked her why she kept padlocks in her dorm desk. She said they made great brass knuckles.

Although Sherry is now a successful engineer in Chicago, her race reminds me she's probably still battling discrimination in some form less blatant, but just as damaging. This was confirmed when I attended a Willow Creek Community Church presentation about "Social Justice" by Mary Nelson, a civil rights activist who marched with Dr. King. Handing out articles clipped from recent newspapers, Mary gave us a lesson on current events still marked by discrimination on the basis of race, creed,

age and gender.

Yet Mary still holds to the nonviolent principles and "faith values" of Martin Luther King. As if in answer to twenty-something Sarah Johnson of Wauconda, who asked how to "translate" these lessons into meaningful action today, Nelson recalled a march in Cicero with Dr. King and gospel singer, Mahalia Jackson. Mary noted that when a young white man spit in the singer's face, "Mahalia turned to the youth and simply said, 'God bless you, my son'...He then slunk away. That's the power of 'Amen." So, thanks to Martin Luther King, maybe there is hope that one day "all the people on the bus will sing 'I love you'-all through the town."

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cheeseeakes

3 oz. hazelnuts, toasted, skins rubbed off,

Honey adds flavor to elegant Hazelnut Crunch Cheesecake



COOKING BY THE BOOK

Food writer and teacher Maxine Clark packs 'Cheesecakes" (Ryland Peters & Small), with a winning array of exquisite desserts. The slim book only runs 64 pages, but each recipe is a keeper, from the ricotta-raisin

cheesecake to the goat cheese and ginger cheesecake.

Clark also serves up a selection of cakes that don't go near the oven, including a panna cotta-like mascarpone biscotti cheesecake and orange blossom cheesecakes made from cottage cheese.

However, an instant hand's down favorite is the Honey Hazelnut Crunch Cheesecake: rich, flavorful and thoroughly satisfying.

Honey Hazelnut Crunch Cheesecake

Hazelnut Praline:

4 oz. whole unblanched hazelnuts, about 1

Raspberry sauce, to serve*

1 cup sugar

4 Tbl. unsalted butter, softened

2 packages cream cheese, 8 oz. each, at room temperature

2 1/2 Tbl. all-purpose flour

2 Tbl. honey

5 large eggs, separated

1/4 cup plus 2 Tbl. light cream

1 Tbl. vanilla extract

Put the brown sugar in a bowl, stir in the chopped hazelnuts, then sprinkle over the surface of the cheesecake. Bake in a preheated oven at 325 degrees F for 1 hour, then turn off the oven, leave the door ajar, and let the cheesecake cool in the oven for about 2 hours to prevent it from cracking. Alternatively, transfer the cheesecake to a wire rack and invert a large bowl over the cake so it cools slowly. Chill for 2 hours, but serve at room temperature sprinkled with the remaining hazelnut praline. Serve with raspberry sauce. Serves 10.

1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon

and coarsely chopped

1/2 tsp. grated nutmeg

1/4 cup brown sugar

*Sauce: Add pint of raspberries to blender or food processor, add 2 tablespoons of confectioners' sugar and 1 tablespoon raspberry (or balsamic) vinegar and process.

1/2 cup sugar

To make the praline, put the hazelnuts and sugar in a saucepan and set greased and floured 10-inch springform cake pan. over gentle heat until the sugar has melted. Do not stir.

.When melted, increase the heat and boil until the melted sugar turns to golden caramel. Immediately pour onto an oiled baking sheet and let set and cool completely - about 1 hour. Break up into pieces, then put into a blender or food processor and grind to a fine powder. Store in an airtight jar until required.

To make the filling, put the sugar and butter in a large bowl and, using a wooden spoon or electric hand mixer, beat until pale and fluffy. Add the cream cheese and beat until fluffy. Beat in the flour, honey and egg yolks. Stir in the cream, vanilla extract, spices and half the praline.

Put the egg whites in a separate spotlessly clean, grease-free bowl and beat until stiff peaks form. Gently fold into the cheese, then pour into a

Chocolate Cup Caltes

1/3 cup water

1/3 cup pitted dates, coarsely chopped

1/4 cup unsweetened Dutch-process cocoa

1 ounce fine-quality bittersweet chocolate (not unsweetened), coarsely chopped

3 tbls. packed light brown sugar

1 large egg

1/4 tsp. vanilla

1/4 tsp. baking soda 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour

Vegetable oil cooking spray

1 tsp. confectioner's sugar for dusting

Chocolate: The food of love

A box of chocolates, a dozen roses: Feb. 14 is Valentine's Day, a traditional day for love and indulgence. Because romance is the theme, we look for foods associated with passion and celebration.

Chocolate, made of cocoa, contains phenylethylamine (PEA). PEA is an endorphin that is naturally excreted into the bloodstream when a person experiences the sensation of "being in love." When eating chocolate, your brain is actually producing and excreting extra PEA, giving you that "special" feeling.

Chocolate has some health advantages as well. Recent studies have shown that cocoa or dark chocolate has potent health benefits for

people. Dark chocolate is full of the flavonoids Epicatechin and Gallic Acid. These antioxidants can help protect blood vessels, cardiac health, and prevent cancer. Additionally, dark chocolate has been effectively demonstrated to counteract mild hypertension. In fact, it has more flavonoids than any other antioxidant-rich food such as red wine, green and black tea, and blueberries.

white chocolate, or drinking milk with dark benefits. But chocolate is also a calorie-rich food with saturated fat - so watch the amount you consume.-By Edye Wagner, RD, LDN, head dietitian, Lake Forest Hospital

Preheat oven to 325°F.

Bring water and dates just to a boil in a one-quart heavy saucepan. Transfer mixture to a food processor and add cocoa powder and chocolate, pulsing once to combine. Let cool two minutes. Add brown sugar, egg, However, consuming milk chocolate or vanilla, baking soda, and a pinch of salt, then purée until smooth. Add flour and pulse just until incorporated.

Spray muffin cups with cooking spray. Spoon batter into cups, dividing it evenly, and bake in middle of chocolate appears to largely negate the health oven until a wooden pick or skewer comes out clean, 18 to 22 minutes. Cool cupcakes in pan on a rack 10 minutes, then turn out onto rack and cool completely, right side up. Just before serving, sprinkle tops lightly with confectioner's sugar.

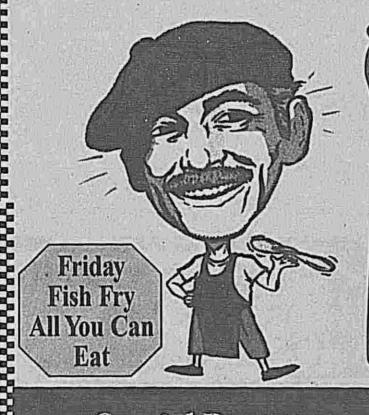
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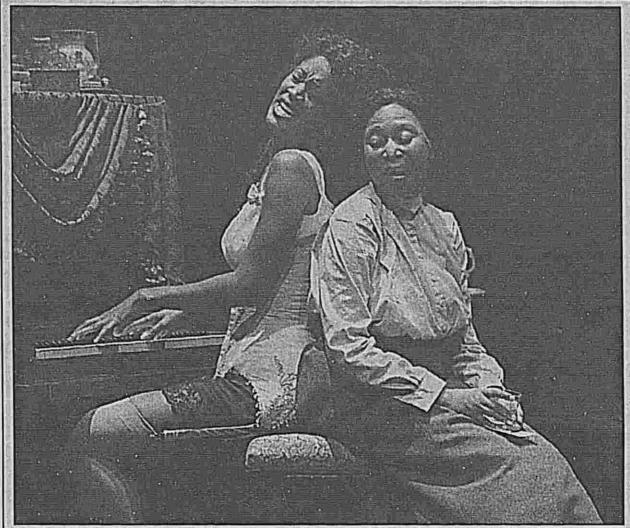
Shepherd of the Lakes Church, Joy Lutheran Church and Last Chance Saloon are pleased to announce that acoustic trio Chrism will perform Sunday, Feb. 13. The Last Chance Music Series features contemporary Christian music the second Sunday of every month from 7-9 p.m.

Chrism aims to present a message of spiritual awakening. "We hope our songs will be like spiritual caffeine," says vocalist Kima Picchietti, describing one of the groups ministry goals as well as the title of their first CD, "Spiritual Caffeine." In live concert, Chrism has played for many enthusiastic audiences, performing at churches, outdoor festivals and other venues in the Chicago/Milwaukee area.

The Last Chance Music Series offers a wide variety of contemporary musical styles. It is not only designed for Christians, but for music lovers in general. Admission is free. No reservations are required.

The Last Chance Saloon & Café is located at 129 Center St. in downtown Grayslake. There is no cover charge or reserved seating. For more information, call 847-223-0082 or email sotlpr@shepherd-ofthelakes.org.

Gut-wrenching 'Intimate Apparel' a precious Steppenwolf treat



JoNell Kennedy (left) and Velma Austin in a scene from Lynn Nottage's play, "Intimate Apparel," at Steppenwolf Theatre.

CRITICS CHOICE By Tom Witom

Playwright Lynn Nottage's latest work, "Intimate Apparel" – a simple, heart-rending story of deep-rooted passion – was loosely drawn from the life of her great-grandmother, an African-American seamstress plying her masterly skills in Manhattan at the turn of the 20th century.

Esther (Velma Austin, in a compelling performance) is a stalwart 35-year-old spinster who lives in a rooming house and sews fancy corsets and other garments. Her clients range from well-to-do high-society ladies to Harlem hookers.

She has taken up correspondence with a man from Barbados who is working on the construction crew of the Panama Canal. Illiterate, she enlists help from select customers to write her letters. As the months go by, the relationship between Esther and George (Morocco Omari) blossoms, despite misgivings by her landlady (Cheryl Lynn Bruce).

On Stage

A keen observer of human nature, Esther has seen the desperation of Mayme (JoNell Kennedy), a prostitute she has befriended, and the disaffection in the life of an unhappily married white client, Mrs. Van Buren (Kymberly Mellen). But she longs for her moment as a wife, for someone to touch and be touched by – and to bring her out of anonymity. She decides to wed George, sight unseen, as soon as he can get to New York.

Much of Act II is devoted to Esther discovering how much she really didn't know about the man of her dreams – most of it negative, including how her long-term goal of opening her own business slips through her fingers on one fateful night.

Nottage's sympathetic drama also reveals the special feelings that develop between Esther and Mr. Marks (Eli Goodman), a lonely Romanian-Jewish fabric merchant. It's an important but bittersweet friendship.

"Intimate Apparel" is the kind of play that's populated with such interesting, multifaceted individuals, each with a story to tell. It would have worked had any one of them been cast as the central character.

The Midwest premiere of this award-winning play at Chicago's Steppenwolf Theatre under the direction of Jessica Thebus is a triumph.



"Intimate Apparel"

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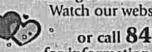
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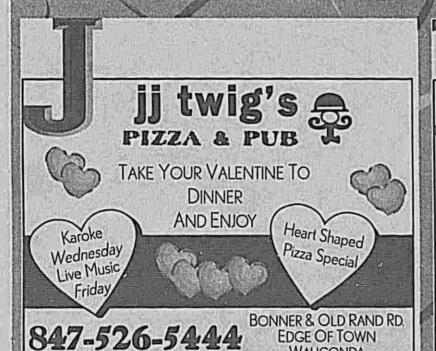
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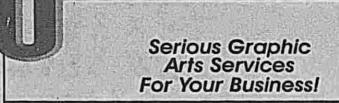
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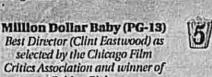
These films are currently playing at local theaters. An average of six new reviews a week as well as recent releases can be found under Now Playing at www.reelmoviecritic.com.

opening this week



still playing

Hotel Rwanda (PG-13)
Stars Don Cheadle. This is # 1 on both George and Pam's Top 10 for 2004.



Golden Globe. A Very Long Engagement (R) Best Foreign Language Film as selected

by the Chicago Film Critics Association.

In Good Company (PG-13) A must see for anyone that has gone through a downsizing or corporate buy-out. Stars Marg Helgenberger of TV's

CSI, with Dennis Quaid, Topher Grace, and Scarlett Johansson.

Assault on Precinct 13 (PG)

Coach Carter (PG-13) Inspired by the true story of Ken Carter (Samuel L. Jackson), a high school basketball coach in the tough San Francisco suburb of Richmond, this film captures the spirit of many communities in this country. A place where too many kids are preparing to become pleased with working minimum wage Jobs or selling drugs, because of the apathy of parents, school and elected officials.

A bit heavy on the melodrama at times, this film nonetheless presents an entertaining way for young adults to think about the consequences of premarital sex, the hopes for earning millions as a sports celebrity, and how easy it is to accept living at life's lowest common denominator. Our kids deserve more and Coach Carter showed them how to get it. It comes from within.

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Alone in the Dark (R)

Will Smith (I) and Kevin James star in Columbia Pictures' romantic comedy "Hitch." Photo by Barry Wetcher

MOVIE REVIEW KEY

Hitch: Presented as a sophisticated romantic comedy, "Hitch" stars Will Smith as Alex Hitchens, a legendary - and deliberately anonymous -New York City "date doctor" who, for a fee, has helped countless men woo the women of their dreams.

While coaching Albert (Kevin James), a meek accountant who is smitten with a glamorous celebrity, Allegra Cole (Amber Valletta), Hitch finally meets his match in the person of the gorgeous, whip-smart Sara Melas (Eva Mendes), a gossip columnist who follows Allegra's every move.

The ultimate professional bach-elor, Hitch suddenly finds himself falling deliriously in love with Sara, a reporter whose biggest scoop could very well be the unmasking of Manhattan's most famous date doctor. (PG-13)



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A conversation with

Annasophia Rob of 'Because of Win Dixie'

By George O. Singleton

he 10-year-old star of "Because of Winn Dixie" was in Chicago recently to promote the film based on the popular novel.

George O. Singleton: What do you like best about "Because of Winn Dixie?"

Annasophia Robb: I think this movie will help people understand the real value of having support from your family, friends and the community in general.

GS: Many films aimed at youngsters have a fairy tale ending that is not realistic. This was not the case here in that Opal's (Annasophia's character) mother not only left her and her dad (Jeff Daniels), but she is not coming back. A key message of the film is that one can adjust to events that are unfair. What do you think about this serious aspect of the film?

AR: It helped me appreciate how fortunate I am. But it was good to see that with a loving, single-parent father, Opal could still be happy, even though she still wanted to have a mother.

GS: What was it like working with veteran actors like Cicely Tyson and Eva Marie Saint? What did you learn from them?

AR: If you wanted some advice you had to ask for it, which was OK. One thing I saw in both of them and Jeff was that about a minute before a scene would start, they would close their eyes and get into character. Even during the day, they preferred to be called by the name of the character rather than their real names.

GS: What do your friends think of your acting career?

AR: It's OK. The older kids talk to me more than they used to.

GS: What type of roles are you

working on as a follow up to 'Winn Dixie?'

AR: I'm auditioning for new parts and want to do more lead roles in different types of films.

GS: What actors do you tend to follow?

AR: Dakota Fanning from "Hide and Seek," although I don't see certain films because they are R rated.

GS: Dakota Fanning was the best thing in "Hide and Seek." It was one of those films that tried so hard to be scary that like some of the films that are (e.g., M. Night Shyamalan's "The Village"), once you reach the moment of the film that holds the surprise, it's not as interesting. The plot itself may have some interest but it all leads to one moment. 'Winn Dixie's' plot however, did not play games with you.

AR: "Because of Winn Dixie" covers a lot of ground in that it gives many points of view. What would I be like if I did not have a mother? Otis (Dave Matthews) is being free and having freedom and not being locked up. Miss Franny (Eva Marie

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Annasophia Robb

(Opal) and her

shaggy costar in

"Because of Winn

GS: What's next after Chicago?

AR: We're leaving today for Los Angeles to look at some new projects.

Annasophia Robb will likely be seen again in a variety of roles that are child friendly. We'll be sure to let you know when her next project is slated. In the meantime, if you are looking for a very kid friendly movie for your young ones, be sure to see Opal and her dog Winn Dixie.



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Bluegrass Music

Enjoy an evening of fun and music with family and friends Saturday, Feb. 12, when James Creek Road performs at Westfield School in Winthrop Harbor at 7 p.m. Westfield School is located on 9th Street, just west of Sheridan Road. Admission is free, but donations at the door are appreciated.

Concert at the Adler

The Sweet Brothers will be performing Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. in the David Adler Cultural Center's Historic Ballroom

Faculty pianist Simon Sweet and his brother, Jacob Sweet, are members of Underwater People, one of Chicago's favorite rock groups. The Sweet brothers will be performing as a duo featuring piano, accordion, guitar and vocals. Their performance at the David Adler Cultural Center will highlight their versatile musical tastes and skills. Expect a fun evening of everything from New Orleans style boogie, to Country, to Folk and pop.

Tickets are \$6 for members, \$8 for non-members and are available by calling 847-367-0707. Proceeds will benefit the Adler Institute of Music's general scholarship fund.

The David Adler Center is located at 1700 N. Milwaukee Avenue in Libertyville.

Meeting

Computer club

Computer Enthusiasts will host a presentation on alternate web browsers at the Grayslake Area Public Library, 100 Library Lane, Grayslake, Saturday, Feb. 12, 12:30-3 p.m. After a brief business meeting, nominations will be taken for the April election of officers. Club founder, Dwight (J.J.) Johnson, will also discuss digital music, and how to use MP3s.

For more information about these and future LCACE programs, visit www.lcace.org.

Come to the meeting. You're guaranteed to learn something, and you can become part of this "Members Helping Members" group. Membership

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Charity

Support Avon Food Pantry

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Beth Hillel to host Mid-East expert for JUF

Beth Hillel Congregation Bnai Emunah in Wilmette will host a brunch on behalf of the 2005 Jewish United Fund-Israel Emergency Fund. The event will be held at 10 a.m., on Sunday, Feb. 13, at 3220 Big Tree Lane.

The guest speaker will be Emory University Professor Dr. Kenneth Stein, director of both the Middle East Research Program and the Institute for the Study of Modern Israel at Emory. The event, which will honor Estee and Jonathan Lehrer of Lincolnwood, will be chaired by Wilmette residents Sharon and Jack Zoldan.

To make reservations or for more information, please call Lainie Kaufman at JUF at 312-444-2826 or e- mail her at lainiekaufman@juf org. Admission is

Fishing

Fishing derby long-standing tradition

The Year 2005 marks the 45th anniversary of the Ice Fishing Derby, the longest continuously run winter event in the state of Illinois. This derby and winter festival will be held on Feb. 12-13.

There will be kids' games, carnival games and

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Adult and kid's auctions (only children under 12 can bid) will be held at the end of the derby on Sunday, Feb. 13 at 3 pm.

Fishing hours are Saturday, Feb. 12, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sunday, Feb. 13, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to an Antioch Community High School student with some of the proceeds.

Show

Wedding and home show

Because all the elements for a "picture perfect" wedding come together in this historic community, the merchants of Long Grove are hosting the second "Long Grove Wedding and Home Show" on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 19-20.

Long Grove's natural amenities, upscale shops and classic style can provide everything for the couple planning a truly unique wedding experience.

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Walkup registration will be open from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. each day, while shops throughout town are open until 5 p.m. Bridal registration is only \$5, which

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Artists Wanted

Artists for Ela Fine Arts Show

The Cultural Arts Connection announces their 5th annual Ela Fine Arts Show, a juried exhibition/sale of fine art and fine crafts, to be on display outdoors, June 11, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Deer Park Town Center in Deer Park. Exhibits will be professionally judged. There will be a minimum of four cash awards and up to five special recognition designations. Jury fee is \$10 and an exhibit space fee of \$75.00. Artists are asked to include one (1) 35mm slide of booth display and three (3) 35mm slides for each category entered. For an application, rules and regulations send SASE to: Ela Fine Arts Show 2005, c/o Cultural Arts Connection, P. O. Box 365, Lake Zurich, IL 60047, for information call 847-540-1919 x-2 or download an application at the Cultural Arts Connection's Web site: www.culturalartsconnection.org. Application deadline is

Admission is free and opened to the public.

Chorus

Antioch chorus

The Antioch Community Chorus extends an invitation to anyone who loves to sing to join their group. All voice parts are needed. They will be rehearsing for the presentation of John Stainer's "The Crucifixtion." Rehearsals will begin on Sunday, Feb. 13 and run from 1-3 p.m. at the Antioch United Methodist Church, 848 Main St., Antioch and will continue each Sunday until the performance on Palm Sunday, March 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the Benedictine Abbey.

For more information call Chris Bolin, director of the choir at 847-395-3195 or Ken Smouse, president of Festival Arts of Antioch at

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Applications will be accepted through Feb. 18. Application packets are available at high school guidance offices or Volo Bog State Natural Area, 28478 W. Brandenburg Road in Ingleside, or call 815-344-1294.

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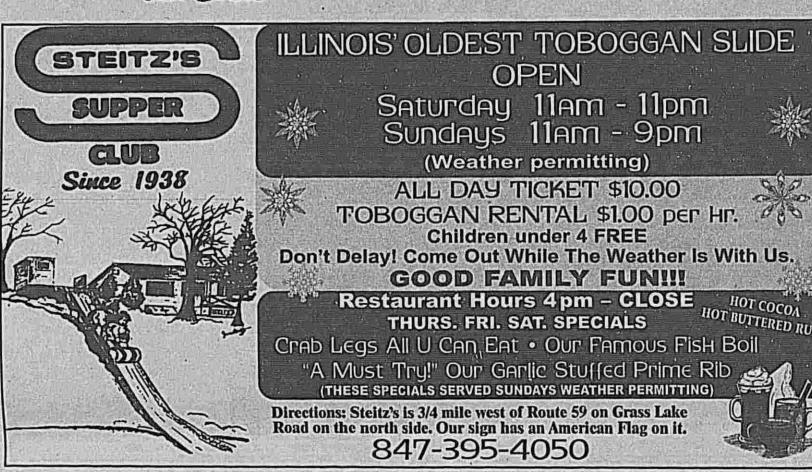


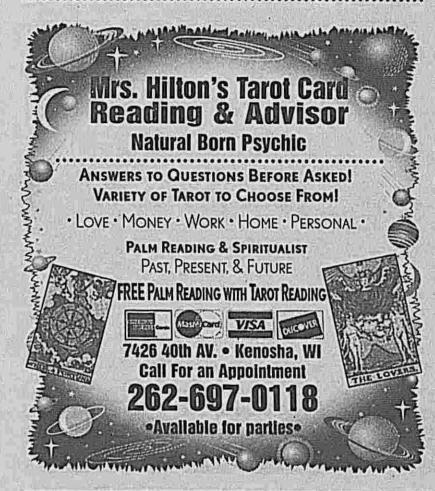
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- 18. Grant
- 19. Color
- 20. Do it again .
- 21. Writing tool
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- 24. Battles
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- 27. Referee
- 30. Inroad
- 31. Holy person
- 32. Lavabo 36. Relative
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- 38. Fail to keep
- 39. Female fishmongers
- 42. Spirits
- 43. Comforts
- 44. Hunting guns 45. Busyness
- 47. Liability
- 48. Unwind
- 49. Beret 50. Textiles
- 54. Coke
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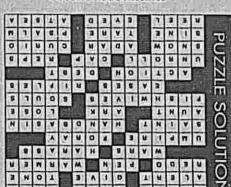
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 - 10. Disloyalty 11. Tiny particles
 - 12. Songs
 - 13. Degree
 - 21. Before (prefix) 23. Type of Middle East
 - dweller
 - 25. Actor Carney 26. Beeps
 - 27. Flier's Service, abbr.
 - 28. Hawaiian Island
 - 29. Secures
 - 30. Menus
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 - 33. A human being
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 - 35. A strip of land. projecting into a
 - body of water 40. Howl
- 41. Single out 42. A person's brother

or sister

- 44. A fabric with prominent rounded crosswise ribs
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- 52. Mound
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ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

You're feeling very energetic, but pretty soon you'll be a romance magnet. Expect romantic interests to be drawn to you like they never have been before. What a rush.



LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

If you've been seeing someone casually, expect that this person will want more than just a passing thing. You're irresistible and can't help it. Think about what you want to do.



TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

You've been involved in an activity that you'd hoped the public wouldn't discover. Trouble is, the truth always has a way of leaking out. Deal with the consequences.



SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

It's time to put an end to a relationship that has been particularly troublesome, Scorpio. You know what you have to do, so get with it. It will be less painful that way.

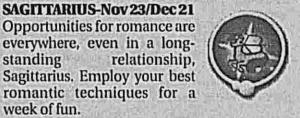


GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Someone has had their eyes on you, and is ready to reveal why. If you're attached, graciously avoid the issue. If you're single, enjoy the new adventure that can ensue.



Opportunities for romance are everywhere, even in a longstanding relationship, Sagittarius. Employ your best romantic techniques for a week of fun.



CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

You've been flirting with someone, but have felt naughty doing so. Unless on of you are attached, there's no reason not to make a bold move toward creating a relationship.



CAPRICORN-Dec 22/Jan 20

Security issues are paramount this week, Capricorn. Lock your doors and double-check your windows. You don't want a stranger lurking in your path — it spells trouble.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18



LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Now's your chance to learn about something you've always been interested in, Leo. Get a friend to join in your quest. It will be that much more fun if you do it as a couple.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

major way. Wind all things

down, put a halt to projects

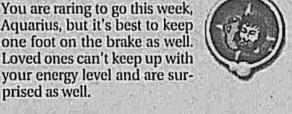
and clear up your calendar.

Summon one last blast of

willpower to do so.



Aquarius, but it's best to keep one foot on the brake as well. Loved ones can't keep up with your energy level and are surprised as well. PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20



It's time for you to destress in a

It's time to have that talk you've been putting off, Pisces. Gather some energy and put your thoughts together before you begin.



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Pictured, following the program and a wine and gourmet hors d'oeuvres reception, are Lieberman (center) from Chicago holding one of her many photos with Pavarotti, and BCLOC new members Marlene (left) and Marie Stallone from Lake For information on BCLOC, phone 847-985-0837 or visit

the Web site at www.lyricopera.org.



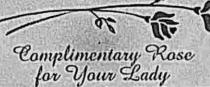


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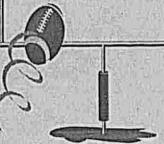
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STREET SCENES

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every year those putting on shows get better and it runs more smoothly," she said. "It's going to be pretty enjoyable. The shows are hilarious. A lot of the people involved are actually semi-professional. They're very good."

Carmel grads will also have their chance in the limelight over the weekend, as they open the "Pass 'N Gas" Café Alumni Show.

French said the alumni show began last year, when one of the performance groups had

Lake Zurich Show

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Comic Relief

Alumni Show

Waukegan Community Players

to cancel due to illness. Several Carmel graduates pooled their talents and created a lastminute show of their own as a replacement.

French said the show was such a hit that they decided to make it a permanent fixture.

But the crown jewel of Street Scenes is always the Curly-Girly-Hurly-Burly Revue, or the student show for short. Whatever you want to call it, it tends to be one of the main attrac-

This year's performance, called Cruisin' Summer, went into rehearsal at the beginning of the school year.

"The student show is phenomenal," French said. "They take these kids and turn them into professionals. They look like Broadway performers."

There are also several Street Scenes lounges with live entertainment where guests can gather prior to visiting the main show rooms. Patrons can enjoy live music and refreshments in the lounges before receiving a pass to a performance.

In order to make the transformation from a school to cabaret/comedy club/casino and Irish pub, parents and alumni volunteer countless hours to the project, according to Volunteer Coordinator Martha Chilicki. This year she said 900-1000 people volunteered.

"It's amazing how they change (the school,)" she said. "They cover the lockers and every room is decorated on the outside to make it look so different from the school."

Tickets to Street Scenes are \$17.50 in advance and \$22 at the door. Off campus parking for the event is available at marked lots on Hawley Avenue and at the Metra Station. Free shuttle buses will run from the parking lots beginning at 6 p.m.

Chilicki said every year Street Scenes is a success in that it garners needed funds for the school while entertaining thousands of Lake County residents.

"It's wonderful for school and community awareness and it's good for the Carmel family," she said.



The Hunky Hurly-Burlies, sing of the joys of fishing in the summer during the Carmel student performace of Cruisin' Summer. Photo by John Dickson

Street Scenes Shows

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The Curly-Girly-Hurly-Burly Revue (Student Show) Cruisin' Summer

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Comedy Spot Show Road Comics

Village Theatre Show The Finkleson Family Tour Bus

Grayslake Show The Simple Life -

Maps for Street Scenes will be Paris and Nicole Travel Route 66 available in the Variety program. Street Scenes offers a each evening, with the last

Designated Driver Program. Free coffee and soft drinks will be provided to guests wearing the Designated Driver wristband, Designated Drivers must move on to another room. sign-up at the Street Scenes entrance (coat room).

Refreshments are an integral part of Street Scenes. A number of food and drink options await the guests. See the Variety for options, locations and prices. Refreshments can only be purchased with food & drink tickets. Guests may purchase tickets at locations throughout Street Scenes.

Shows run continuously

shows starting at 12:30 a.m. Each performance lasts approximately 25 minutes. If a particular show room is full, please

Information booths are located at the main entrance (just before Main Street) and near main intersections.

Tips for Street Scenes Guests

- · Consider attending on Friday evening; crowds are traditionally smaller.
- Park at one of the off campus lots and use the free shuttle bus service to and from the

school; buses run until 2 a.m. · Enter the school only at the north gym entrance (entrance

- After entering the school: Check your coats;
- Tum in your admission

Exchange your ticket stub

- for a show pass to the Student Pick up a copy of Variety,
- the official guide to Street Scenes;
- Purchase your food and drink tickets.

- Visit one of the assigned lounge(s) to obtain a pass to a Street Scenes show room.

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experience?" By Sandy Bressner and John Dickson



"Being sick on Valentine's Day."

Barb Butler Round Lake Park



"The worst is coming up with a unique gift I haven't given my wife."

"Way before I

married my

Randy Davis Crystal Lake



husband, my boyfriend broke up with me because he didn't want to spend all the money if the **Ruth Fuller** relationship Lake Villa wasn't going



"I don't celebrate Hallmark holidays."

anywhere."

Sue Hauck Mundelein



"I forgot Valentine's Day for my wife."

Bob O'Brien Island Lake

POLICING THE AISLES



Grayslake Police Chief Larry Herzog loads his cart full of food with the help of police department records clerk Carol Rundquist during the Lake County Farm Bureau's seventh annual Food Check Out Day Race for Hunger at the Piggly Wiggly in Grayslake. Herzog won the race against Grayslake Fire Chief Don Mobley by acquiring \$1,210.50 worth of groceries to be donated the A Safe Place shelter.

Sheriff's deputy honored for bravery at crash site

Pugesek hospitalized when plane exploded

By Nicholas Alajakis

Staff Reporter

Looking back on the situation that hospitalized him for a week last summer, Lake County Sheriff's Officer Larry Pugesek said he wouldn't change a

Pugesek, an 18-year veteran on force, was honored this week by the Lake County Board, for his heroics during a plane crash last July near Fox Lake. On that day Pugesek was in the area of Rollins Road and Route 59, when he saw a single-engine plane begin to plunge. He rushed to the scene seconds after the plane crashed onto Rollins Road and immediately began clearing the area and looking for survivors.

When he was less than 50 feet from the crash site, the plane exploded, sending him through the air. Onlookers helped extinguish the flames. And today Pugesek is back on the force. The two Cook County men aboard the plane died.

For his work Pugesek received the department's Award of Valor.

"You showed genuine concern and true commitment to professionalism," said Lake County Sheriff Gary Del Re of Pugesek's actions. "Your swift actions brought credit and merit not only to yourself, but the entire Lake County Sheriff's office."

Pugesek smiled as he

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Photo by Sandy Bressner

Lake County Sheriff's Deputy Leroy Pugesek of Wauconda shares a moment with his daughter, Kaye, 17, as his son Erik, 14, looks on after Pugesek was honored by the Lake County Board for the heroic measures he took following a small plane crash in Fox Lake last summer. Pugesek was injured when he attempted to pull the plane's two passengers from the exploding vessel.

Chamber ambassador dies at 78

By Kyle Schmitt

Staff Reporter

John E. Bobel, Waukegan restaurant whose talents lead him to win leadership positions representing local and national organizations, died Feb. Westmoreland Extended Care Facility in Lake Forest, He was 78.

A skilled businessman who worked for the state Department of Revenue and Kiley Development Center in Waukegan, Bobel served as an ambassador for the Lake County Chamber of Commerce. He was also a past chairman and director of North Chicago Savings and

Lake County Chamber of Commerce executive board secretary Tim Walsh said that Bobel gave much of his free time to helping acclimate new chamber members, and bringing back inactive members by answering their questions and showing them the benefits of becoming involved.

His retirement never stopped Bobel from getting involved, Walsh said. He recalls the former ambassador as a dedicated worker who "had a lot of drive and enthusiasm, and love for the business commu-

"If you love what you do, even after you retire, you still want to contribute, and that's what John Bobel was like," he said.

Having known Bobel for roughly a decade, former Lake County Chamber of Commerce chair Ed Hucker said that Bobel could always be depended on to help with

dinner meetings and other events. He placed Bobel and his life's work "on a high plane." "He's the type of guy who always had his hand in the air to volunteer with something," Hucker recalled.

Born in the township of Little Suamico, Wis. in 1926, Bobel moved with his family to Chicago, then a Gurnee farm. He attended Stearns Grade School and Warren Township High School, and later graduated from Waukegan Township High School.

Joining the Navy in 1944, Bobel became a decorated veteran of World War II. He married Eileen Pelka in 1951, and the couple made their home in Waukegan. She pre-

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Governmental agencies work to aid tsunami victims

By Ginny Skweres
Staff Reporter

Various governmental agencies and organizations across Lake County are working together to raise funds for the victims of the tsunami. They are putting together a dinner/dance to begin at 6 p.m., Feb. 19, at the American Aid Society of German Descendants, 259 W. Grand Ave. in Lake Villa. Tickets to the event are \$20 a person.

"We thought we could work together for a specific purpose in helping victims and thought this would be a good thing," said Antioch Township Supervisor Stephen Smouse.

The new group is working through the United Way and will be able to choose a specific use for the money raised, although it has not yet been selected.

"We can supervise the effort so we know the money will all go directly to the cause," Smouse said. "We want to see a result that shows what our money accomplished.

"Each group is working in their own area for prizes, donations and selling tickets," Smouse

said. "We put this together in a short period of time, but we're having success." In addition to dinner and cash bar, the evening will include live and silent auctions and entertainment provided by The Lakes Area community Swing Band.

American Aid Society members have offered to staff the hold, which holds 550 people.

Participants include Lake Villa Township Supervisor Daniel Venturi, Lake Villa Mayor Frank Loffredo, Fox Lake Mayor Nancy Koske, Antioch Township Supervisor Stephen Smouse, Round Lake Beach Mayor Richard Hill, Grant Township Supervisor Kay Starostovic, Lake County Board Chairman, Suzi Schmidt, the Lindenhurst/Lake Villa Chamber of Commerce, state Reps. JoAnn Osmond, (R-Antioch) and Robert Churchill, (R-Hainesville), Lake County Board members Judy Martini, Bonnie Thompson Carter, Bob Powers and state Senator Adeline Geo-Karis (R-Zion).

"We are so blessed in this country with riches beyond the imagination of individuals in third world countries. It's good to give back to those places that have bee totally wiped out, Smouse said.

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Sheriff's department win community policing award

By Nicholas Alajakis

Staff Reporter

The Lake County Sheriff's office is one of only six law enforcement agencies across the state – and the first ever sheriff's office — to be awarded with the Community Policing Award this year.

The award was presented in a brief ceremony at this week's county board meeting, where Sheriff Gary Del Re said he is proud of his department.

To qualify for the award the sheriff's office had to put through a site assessment that examined the department's successes in external support, partnership with the community, preventative/pro-active policing, problem solving and training among other categories.

Lake County is the first sheriff's office in the state to be recognized since the community-policing program began in 2002. Fifteen municipal departments have been honored in that time

Board member Audrey Nixon (D-North Chicago) said she was proud of the department for their honor. She added she's happy to have a

"great sheriff's department."

Being the first takes on additional significance, Del Re said. Del Re continued, attributing the award to the department's unique services.

One of the services he touted, was the domestic violence on call program, which gives victims of violence mobile phones that are preprogrammed to call 9-1-1 is they are in trouble.

He also spoke highly of the "Are you OK," program. The program automatically calls homebound seniors everyday to make sure they are OK. If the seniors do not answer, a sheriff's deputy is dispatched to the home to check up on them.

In the last two months alone, two seniors have been unable to get to the phone for medical reasons. Deputies responded to those and provided medical assistance.

"There are good things done each day that perhaps go unrecognized," Del Re said.

To recognize their achievement, the ICPA has awarded the department with street signs to be put throughout the county to publicize their achievement.

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Web site offers information on road referendum

The Lake County government Web site www.co.lake.il.us—now offers detailed information about the county-wide road improvement referendum that will be on the ballot during the election on April 5.

Among other information, visitors will find an interactive Road Improvement Program that shows how additional revenue will be spent and updates on referendum-related meetings and presentations by county officials.

"In today's busy world, many people prefer to learn about important issues from informational Web sites," said County Board Chair Suzi Schmidt (R-Lake Villa). "This Web site provides information about the history of the referendum issue and current news and articles, as well as answers to frequently asked questions."

After holding seven public input meetings, and receiving nearly 1,000 comments, regarding traffic congestion, the Lake County Board voted

to place the question on the April 5 ballot. If approved, the referendum will raise about \$481 million over the first ten years in additional funding to be used exclusively for road widening, intersection improvements and traffic signal synchronization throughout the county.

"The referendum asks voters whether the county can increase its sales tax by 1/2 percent for transportation purposes." Schmidt noted, "This means that for every \$1 spent in Lake County, you would pay one-half cent more in sales tax. The increase would not apply to groceries and prescription medications. For most individuals, the total impact will be less than \$50 per year"

If approved, the referendum would mean 36 miles of road widening, 33 improved intersections and 109 traffic signal synchronizations.

Also, referendum-related programming can be found on LCTV, the county's cable television channel, seen locally on cable channel 18 or 30.

CORRECTION

To correct an error in last week's story about the After School Coalition, the web site for more information is www.lakecountyafterschoolcoalition.org. That site will display the information collected from surveys indicating available programs.

ALOOKBACK

Lake County history from the Lakeland Archives



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Jenny Crosbie, age nine, shows her basketball skills in a different way during Dist. 46 Fun Fair held at Grayslake Junior High School gymnasium. Several other students and their parents attended the event as well.

15 YEARS AGO • 1990

25 YEARS AGO • 1980

Residents of Lindenhurst were still waiting to hear who would be their new police chief. A panel of three former police chiefs were interviewing six candidates over a two-day period for the job. The mayor of the town was set to make a decision earlier in the week, but had to go in for emergency surgery.

Some Lincolnshire residents were upset over a proposed fire substation at the southeast corner of Route 22 and Riverwoods Road. Residents said they feared the substation would create noise, jeopardize safety and decrease property values.

The Illinois Department of Conservation was investigating the killing of two swans in a channel of water between Petite and Fox Lakes. Two local youths were being questioned about the deaths, A local resident saw them at the time of the killings.

Six people were arrested at an alleged sex party at the a Gurnee hotel. The event, which had been advertised in local newspapers as a "planned event" in the "Playmate Suite," was raided by Lake County Sheriff's officers. In addition to filing charges for lewd sexual acts, police also seized drugs.

Warren High School's student choir was preparing to compete at Sea World in Florida. To raise money for the Spring Break trip, students were selling Christmas albums with their music.

30 YEARS AGO • 1975

The Antioch school board was looking at plans at would establish a grooming code at the school. The code made references to clothing being neat, clean and appropriate for school. There was no reference to hair or hairstyles.

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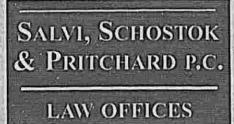
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No home runs for the governor

llinois Republicans are massing forces to retake the office of governor in 2006 and in many ways Gov. Rod Blagojevich, the first Democrat in 27 years serving as chief executive, is playing into their hands. Instead of seizing the opportunity in the State of the State Message to inspire and lead, Blagojevich followed a safe path, playing political "small ball." One GOP leader called the statute mandated speech "smoke and mirrors."

Gov. Blagojevich avoided the state's leading problems of the nagging deficit, future of gambling and school funding inequities that leave very few districts untroubled. Instead, the governor chose to dwell on what he views as accomplishments as combatting state bureaucracy, hiking the minimum wage, freeing up some road funding, reducing prescription drug costs, jiggering improvements in health care and modest changes in the way state funds are doled out to schools.

No home runs. No grand vision. No road map. The governor didn't exactly fumble the ball. For example, he called for the General Assembly to resolve the state's medical malpractice crisis. But again how this critical need would be addressed was left unsaid. Style over substance, as the governor's critics like to put it. Unlike President Bush's aggressive stance to reform Social Security, the governor left himself vulnerable to criticism by not enumerating steps to limit medical malpractice insurance rates. It will take uncommon courage on the part of a chief executive to tackle the powerful trial lawyer and insurance lobbies in Illinois.

Along with the State of the State and how the required budget address is received, a Republican strategy in preparing for 2006 is beginning to show through. The GOP will be highlighting Blagojevich shortcomings as being governor of only part of Illinois, or as some outspoken critics describe the situation, "Governor of Chicago."

As far as how the Chicago native perceives the job of governing all 103 counties, Gov. Blagojevich has yet to spend a single night in the Governor's Mansion in Springfield. Think about that!

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Frivolous board

How frivolous and underhanded can Gurnee School District 56 get? I believe it's proving itself by having taxpayers pay for a special election for the sole purpose of trying to pass a referendum to increase school taxes. A referendum that has been voted NO on five different times. Approximately 70 percent of your tax dollars are going to schools now. I am a firm believer in a good education but also believe in tax dollars going in the proper direction. Maybe their budget expenses should be examined as to where these tax dollars are going. It seems to be spent more on administration, then on the old fashioned ideas of reading, writing and arithmetic.

> Joyce Shelley Wadsworth



VIEWPOINT

Sammy-less Cubs be winners

here are signs, some subtle and some not so subtle, that a new era has begun at Clark and Addison. That's Wrigley Field, for those who don't bleed Cubbie Blue.

The new era began quite awhile ago, but it certainly came to an end when Cub management said goodbye to their long-time home run star and problem child, Sammy Sosa. Sammy's departure changes the whole complexion of the team long known as the Loveable Losers.

Sammy was loveable, no doubt about it. The homerun hop, the gestures, kisses, head drenchings between innings, the bull-like charge to his position in right field. These quirks will be missed.

What won't be missed are other character flaws like his for adulation and setting Sosa-only standards of behavior. What also won't be missed are all those the meaningless homeruns, annual avalanche of strike outs, failure to hit the cut-off man and a lot of the so-called "little things" that make for team baseball. And victories.

For all the excitement he brought to games and the home run records he leaves, Sammy in reality was the ultimate Loveable Loser. He could take the wind out of a rally with three prodigious misses. Advancing the runner on first was a foreign concept to Sammy. His understanding of hit-and-run strat-

egy was golfing a pitch out of. the park and then running juvenile petulance, hunger around the bases. Season after season and game after game, Sosa could have contributed to a rally in the making simply by making contact. Get wood on the ball. No, Sammy Sosa was committed to hitting a homerun. "Bazeball been very good to me."

> The fact is that Cub management has been committed to winning for a long time, not just cramming Wrigley to the rafters and entertaining a crowd of people more interested in sunshine and beer than winning games. Bringing in two noname "gamers" from Los Angeles two years ago was an indication that management



Bill Schroeder

Publisher

knows what to do to win. What happened? The Cubs missed the World Series by four outs. What the big brass at Wrigley couldn't figure out was how to get Sammy out of town. Until this year.

There's a lot to like about the 2005 Cubs. All those young arms. Normar. Patterson's speed. A catcher who can hit. Dependable bench players. Power at the corners.

So long, Sammy. We'll take our chances with guys who make contact, hitters who can advance the runner, outfielders who throw ahead of the runner. No more Loveable Loser nonsense. As Ernie Banks has stated, "Things will come alive in two thousand five."

COMMENTARY



John Matijevich

his month, Major League baseball teams start tossing the ball around the Florida and

Arizona spring training camps, and they gradually work earnestly towards the opening of the season in April. This year, there are other issues than the salaries, potential strikes, free agents, TV contracts, new stadiums, seating prices, and team parity that have been the major discussions before the open-

ing pitch of the season. Before the players face the hot sunny skies at training camps, there is a dark cloud looming over baseball providing more heat than the other issues that baseball owners have had to face. Baseball has been slower than the other major sports to recognize and do something about the growing use of steroids and other performance-enhancing drugs by the players. On the baseball field, the batter swings three times at the ball and misses and he's "out" but the players can be found to use steroids six times and "still play the game."

Major league scandal—steroid use

It doesn't take one with a trained eye to see that the bulging bodies and muscles of many of today's athletes aren't the result of weight-lifting or training room miracles. When I became a baseball fan years ago, it was widely said that to become musclebound was a hindrance to the professional baseball players because the muscle tightness prevented a fluid swing of the bat, or even the ability to make accurate throws from the outfield.

Finally, baseball is being forced to take a legitimate and strong look at the "steroid scandal." The use of steroids is "bad for baseball," and it is dangerous to the players or anyone else who use them. There must be a stop, a total ban to the use of performance-enhancing drugs, in any sport.

Look how excited the baseball magnates were when a swing from Sammy Sosa's bat revealed it more than just wood; it was corked. Rightly so. But there has never been any real proof that swinging a corked bat can add a measurable amount of added flight to a baseball. But, it is undeniable that the use of steroids has been a factor in the wild increase of tape measure homeruns.

I imagine that Babe Ruth up in heaven registered a complaint that when Roger Maris beat his home run record, he did it playing in more games. So, the powers-that-be put an "aster-

isk" alongside the Maris record. Imagine how Henry Aaron must feel if it is true that his record was surpassed because of the use of steroids. Aaron "swung from the heels," and didn't need any "artificial push," to sail the ball out of the park.

When Bud Selig, who is the commissioner of baseball, had his press conference to respond to the latest revelations about steroid use in baseball, I was disappointed and somewhat surprised the way he responded. He said, "We will do something." It reminded me of two things. Remember that quotation of the legendary coach, Vince Lombardi, when he said, "Winning isn't everything; it's the only thing."

To paraphrase the great Lombardi, I would suggest to Commissioner Selig, with regards to the seriousness of steroids, for baseball "to do something is not enough; it must do everything."

Also, I thought about years ago when there was a baseball commissioner by the name of Kenesaw Mountain Landis. He was never a puppet of the owners. He was fair, but strict and independent. Baseball needs a commissioner with that resolve now. The integrity of the game, as well as the health of players and many youths who look upon sports heroes as role models, is at stake.

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Husband, wife seek school board seats

n the De La Mar household, children and education are two topics that always are on the top of the conversa-tional agenda.

PARTYLINES

Jeff, a project manager for IBM, and Marybeth De La Mar, a first grade teacher in the Fremont Consolidated District (rural Mundelein) are the parents of six children and both are candidates for board of education seats in the April 5 election.

They reside in the Lake Villa area. Rather than exchange information on campaign techniques and how to win an election, Jeff said he and his wife, who has been teaching for 14 years, tend to stick to philosophical

"We share insights about our experiences with education," remarked Jeff, who is seeking re-election to the Lake Villa Dist. 41 board of education. Marybeth is a first-time candidate for the Grayslake High Dist. 127 board.

She served on a citizens committee for reconfiguration of the district when a second campus was opened and she sees the need for more Lake Villa representation in high school affairs.



Gravenhorst: Ready to order Final Four tickets to cheer Illinois



Lumber: Returns to help with selection of new president

True blue Illini

County Board Rep. Susan Gravenhorst (R-Lake Bluff) could well be Lake County's most ardent Fighting Illini basketball fan. With the Illini holding the No. 1 position in the nation, Gravenhorst starts-and endsall her conversations with, "How about those Illini?" Before elected to the County Board, Gravenhorst served 17 years as a trustee of the University of Illinois. Her service began when trustees were elected state-wide. Now U of I trustees are appointed by the governor. Gravenhorst is getting ready to make Final

Four reservations for St. Louis.

Tasting the Beltway

Brian Herman of Lindenhurst is getting used to life in Washington, D.C. as communications director for newly elected Congresswoman Melissa Bean (D-8th). Besides being a Democratic activist, Herman has a background in corporate communicatons. Bean is seeking to establish a centrally located office to serve voters in the district: Temporarily, district aides are working out of former Congressman Phil Crane's office in Palatine.

Searching for president

Jim Lumber is serving in a volunteer capacity in the College of Lake County search for a new president to succeed Dr. Gretchen Naff, who is retiring June 30. Lumber is familiar with the search-interview process as a former member of the CLC board with more than 30 years of service. Four finalists from a national field of 44 have been selected for visits to Lake County and interviews with CLC trustees concluding Feb. 21

'King' quits

Sgt. David Williams, who quit the Grayslake Police Dept. under the cloud of a State's Attorney investigation, was known as the "king" of DUI ticket writers. The longtime officer averaged more than three arrests per week for driving under the influence. Williams also was targeted in an internal investigation that included without follow up.

Speaker switch

Andy McKenna, Illinois state Republican chairman, is taking over featured speaker duties at the annual Grant Township Republican Club Lincoln Day dinner Saturday, Feb. 12., at Maravella's Banquets. By tradition a sell out, dinner chair Nancy Kubalanza vowed to find a table for late arrivals who didn't purchase advance tickets. For 40 years, the dinner has signaled the beginning of the "serious stage" of campaigning for the upcoming election. No different this year, exclaim committee members. State Sen, Frank Watson, Illinois Senate minority leader, originally was scheduled as keynoter.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Attacks on school board member misguided

'm writing in response to John Puccio's personal attacks on Grayslake District 46 board member Karen Weinert, which were both uninformed and misguided. Reacting to Weinert's no vote regarding the upcoming referendum, Puccio stated that "she is only doing this to stay in line with what she ran on two years ago when she was against referendums." Mr. Puccio, should have read the entire article. In the third paragraph of last week's article, Karen is quoted as saying, "I do want to make it clear that I have supported all referendums, but I cannot agree on the dollar amount of this referendum." If Mr. Puccio thinks Mrs. Welnert's actions were used to enhance her re-election campaign, he is again mistaken.

Mr. Puccio is not aware of the countless hours and nights board members put into their volunteer position and take away from their families. I believe that as informed individuals, all board members are entitled to their own opinion. I applaud the courage Karen Weinert has shown in her decision and her unwillingness to become part of a "rubber stamp regime."

P.E. Harris Grayslake Highway Commissioner. Steve Carlson, Lake County Board, District 7

official. Please join us in supporting Gerry

Rudd for retention as Warren Township

Sandy Cole, Lake County Board, District 11

Seven are wrong

In response to the action of demolition of Gavin Central, I believe it is a grave mistake for seven people. The majority of the community is telling them not to demolish the school building through the petitions and the referendums. We have 1,100 signatures and two failed referendums. Once the building is gone there is no going back. Win or lose the lawsuit, we are stuck with this giant debt. God forbid there is an accident with a school bus on Route 12 to Lake Zurich over the next two years that would . be on your conscience.

It's not too late to do the right thing. Stop the demolition and allow the citizens to make this choice. It is much too large of a responsibility to be set on only seven people. Please take this into consideration and put it on a ballot for vote. It would only set us back a couple of months, which outweighs the liabilities. I believe the people in this district would commend you.

Steve Moulis Resident and parent in District 37 Ingleside

Critics too artsy

This past week, I went to see "Phantom of the Opera," a five star movie in my book. Lakeland Media film critics, George and Pam Singleton not only don't give it honorable mention, they don't give it any mention at all.

Instead they hype documentaries and artsy foreign films. I do not want to drive 50-75 miles to see a movie I wouldn't walk next door for. One time they were touting a film that was only playing in Rockford, The Biograph in Chicago is another of their favorites.

Increase my subscription 10 cents if you have to but get back a reliable movie reviewer. Rusty Canty Ingleside

Support for Rudd

As Lake County Board and Forest Preserve Commissioners, we represent the largest unincorporated population in Lake County. The greater portion of that population is served by the Warren Township Highway Department, which is ably managed by Gerry Rudd. In our interaction with our constituents, we consistently hear about the timely and efficient service provided by the Warren Township Highway Department. During the recent snowstorm, Warren was there. When sidewalks need fixing or a light pole is down or roads need maintenance, Warren is there. When either of us has had occasion to call Gerry for any reason, Gerry has been responsive to our concerns and always acts in the best interest of the residents of Warren Township. In this age of cynicism about government, it is a pleasure to recommend the reelection of a dedicated elected

Stay until end

The school board of Warren Township High School has been under much fire from the surrounding community concerning some of their recent actions. As a result people have been flooding to the school board meetings in order to speak their mind against the board.

I attended a school board meeting recently, as a student, and was amazed to see that the whole O'Plaine lecture hall was full with parents, students, and teachers. However, even more amazing was when the board advised the students to go home to begin working on homework that half of the parents and teachers left as well. Admittedly, I left too but I do not understand how people can blame the school board for decisions they make when they only stay to watch other people yell at them.

The Illinois Open Meetings Act ensures that constituents should have the right to witness all the actions of the school board. People should not be blaming the school board for actions they choose at open meetings, after the majority of the group has left. If people wish to understand how the school board really works, they should stay for the whole meeting and act knowledgeably about the actions that they witness. While the school board of District 121 does not have an excellent record for remaining open about their decisions, everybody could learn something by staying and watching the clockwork tick.

Jennifer Powers Gurnee **Planning with purpose**

I would like to personally thank those who attended the Lakewood Forest Preserve Planning Open House on Tuesday, Jan. 25. Forest Preserve Commissioners were encouraged by the participation of so many, and have a clearer understanding of why Lakewood is so special to so many different visitors.

The Lake County Forest Preserves have a tradition of encouraging public input regarding plans for the future of our preserves. The Open House was just the beginning of the planning process. As promised, I will soon appoint members to a new Master Plan Advisory Committee, made up of citizens representing the wide variety of ways in which people use and enjoy Lakewood. The Committee will take into account all of the written and verbal comments already received. They also will consider the concerns and desires of preserve visitors and the surrounding community, and ensure that our natural resources are protected and restored.

This group will meet over the next year or so to coordinate additional public input and recommendations, review potential natural resource restoration and public access improvements, and recommend a master plan for approval by the Lake County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners. Any recommended plan would be presented for additional public review and input prior to approval by the Forest Preserve Board. Master Plan Advisory Committees have successfully assisted with plans for many other Forest Preserves and projects in the past including Bonner Farm, Greenbelt Cultural Center, Independence Grove, Middlefork Savanna and Rollins Savanna. I anticipate that the Lakewood Master Plan Advisory Committee will be just as successful.

For those unable to attend the Planning Open House, background information concerning the planning process is available online by visiting the Lake County Forest Preserves' web site, www.LCFPD.org. Additional thoughts and comments concerning Lakewood are always welcome valued, and can be submitted via e-mail to the Forest Preserve District's Director of Planning, Conservation and Development, Mike Fenelon, at mfenelon@co.lake.il.us.

Bonnie Thomson Carter President, Lake County Forest Preserves

Looking for change

By repeatedly voting down the financial referendums that have been proposed by District 46, the Grayslake Community has voiced its lack of confidence in the ability of Dr. Anderson and the board to represent the best interests of the students and the District 46 community.

The vilification of Karen Weinert for her no vote by both the board and the referendum supporters was completely uncalled for. Karen reflected the opinion of many of the people she was elected to represent.

There is by no means unanimous support for this referendum, in fact, if it does pass, it will be by the slimmest of margins. The community is tired of being taxed to death by District 46 and having little to show for it in the length of the school day, variety of classes available, special programs or state average

The community doesn't want another referendum. It wants a new board (we've already got a new superintendent).

Jim B. Patterson Grayslake

'Abortion Alternatives'

I recently attended a Respect Life Conference, and was moved by the courage of the women and men who gave witness to their personal experiences of abortion and their decisions to give life to their children through the intercession of some caring people. One woman was outside the door of an abortion mill for a second time when she was approached by a kind gentleman who was pro-life offering her some information of her alternatives as well as financial help available for her unborn child. The main reason she was seeking an abortion was because she felt trapped. She thought she had no other option because that's what the people closest to her had told her.

After talking more with the gentleman, she and her boyfriend learned that there is help available. Help that the abortion mill did not reveal. She and her boyfriend changed their minds and gave their child life. I was blessed to meet this child in her mothers arms. After hearing that story, I couldn't help but think that if it wasn't for that gentleman who stood outside the abortion mill, this beautiful child would have never been born Just two more steps, and her mother would have been inside those doors without anyone to lovingly lead her to a better choice. The joy on this mother's face is like none I've ever seen. After the conference, I thanked her for sharing her story and mostly for being so courageous. She softly and meekly said to me, "I just hope that I helped change some people's minds about abortion."

These brave young men and women are going to change the future of abortion in this country having "been there" and having known the heartbreak. Their testimonies will speak louder than anyone's words. May they be healed so the truth, will be revealed.

If you are seeking an abortion or know someone who is, there are alternatives. Just look in the yellow pages under "abortion alternatives." If you have had an abortion and want to heal, Call Project Rachel 312-337-1962 or NOPRAH (National Office of Post-Abortion Reconciliation And Healing) 1-800-5WE-CARE

Julie Roche Libertyville

AROUNDTHECOUNTY

CTCU college scholarships

Community Trust Credit Union is offering its members the opportunity to apply for a fouryear \$500 scholarship (worth a total of \$2,000)

or one of three single-year \$500 scholarships. Scholarship applications are available at Community Trust's main headquarters at 1313 Skokie Highway in Gurnee, as well as its north Grayslake branch at 1263 N. Route 83 and its south Grayslake branch at 1868 E. Belvidere Rd., Grayslake. Applications must be postmarked on or before March 1, and recipients will be notified by May 2.

National Child Passenger Safety Week

Motor vehicle crashes are the number one killer of children ages 2-14. But children ages 4-8 who use booster seats are 59 percent less likely to be injured in a car crash than children who are restrained only by a safety belt. That's why the Lake County Coroner is joining the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), the Ad Council and others around Valentine's Day this year to commemorate National Child Passenger Safety Week (Feb. 13-19). The purpose is to place special emphasis on reminding all parents and other adults responsible for children traveling in motor vehicles: "if they're are under 4'9", they need a booster seat."

While 94 percent of America's toddlers are now regularly restrained, not enough kids ages 4-8 are properly and safely restrained. Only 10-20 percent of kids ages 4-8 who should be using booster seats to protect them are actually in them. This puts children at an unnecessary risk of being injured or killed in crashes because they are simply in the wrong restraint for their size.

For more information about the proper use of booster seats, visit www.boosterseat.gov or contact Chief Deputy Coroner Steve Newton at 847-377-2200.

Pediatric program gets grant

Condell Medical Center's Pediatric Alternatives in Creative Therapy (PACT) program recently received a \$10,000 Quality of Life grant from the Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation to purchase a LiteGait therapy device.

The unique design of the device allows a single individual to move a patient from a seated position to a standing position while keeping the patient safe from falling. This secure arrangement instills confidence in the patient and the therapist, allowing both to concentrate on improving the patient's walking patterns.

Math contest

Carmel High School has invited seventh and eighth grade students to take part in the high school's Annual Mathematics Contest on Feb. 26. Registration begins at 8 a.m. in the Auditorium. The test begins at 8:30 a.m., followed by an awards assembly at 10:30 a.m. AM. In order to participate, 7th and 8th graders must first register through their local grammar schools.

Trophies will be awarded for the first and second place finishes for both seventh and eighth grade teams, as well as for the first, second and third place seventh and eighth grade individual winners.

For additional information, call Ann Petraitis, Mathematics Department Chair at 847-566-3000 ext. 439, or e-mail her at Apetraitis@carmelhs.org.

Merit finalist students

Carmel High School is announced that the National Merit Scholarship Program has selected seniors Madelaine A. Burkert of Gurnee and Abigail K. Sup of Libertyville as National Merit Scholarship Finalists. Over 16,000 Semifinalists were named last September, and these students will now be considered along with 8000 Merit Scholarship winners for monetary awards to be announced sometime during the month of March.

Seeking men with trucks and a handyman

LaCASA (Lake County Council Against Sexual Assault) in Gurnee is looking for volunteers with trucks to help with the collection of furniture donations for their annual rummage sale. LaCASA also needs the volunteer services of a handyman to do minor repairs on donated furniture. If interested please contact LaCASA at 847-244-1187, Ext. 15.

YWCA seeks nominations of outstanding women

County at the YWCA Women of Achievement Awards Benefit. Again this year, the YWCA will be honoring women who have achieved the highest standards in the areas of, Advocacy/Public Community Volunteer, Service, Entrepreneurship/Professions, Racial Justice and Science & Technology. The YWCA asks you to celebrate the accomplishments of an outstanding woman you know by nominating her for the award.

Two new categories are being introduced this year:

Promise Award-Reaffirms the YWCA's commitment to young women. The award will be given annually to a young woman, between the ages of 18 and 34, with sufficient community service and professional success to indicate her potential for extraordinary leadership and service.

Through the Glass Ceiling Award—This award will recognize a woman within an organ-

Each year, for the past 26 years, the YWCA ization who has not only broken through the has recognized outstanding women in Lake glass ceiling but has also provided help and/or mentored other women on the way.

Tied directly to the mission of the YWCA, the Racial Justice Award recognizes a Lake County woman who has shown dedication by actively working toward the elimination of racism in any and all of its forms. The YWCA USA pioneered racial justice work and was active in the passage of Civil Rights legislation. Walgreens is this year's sponsor of the Racial Justice Award and will be at the Awards Ceremony on May 13, at the Marriott Lincolnshire Resort to present the award to the

Nomination forms are available at the YWCA Lake County, 2133 Belvidere Road, Waukegan, Illinois 60085 or by calling 847-662-4247. You may also visit the YWCA web site at www.ywcalakecounty.org and download the nomination forms.

Completed nomination forms and background materials must be received at the YWCA office by 5 p.m. on Feb. 25.

County Board chairman elected president of Metro Counties

Lake County Board Chairman Suzi Schmidt has been elected President of Metro Counties of Illinois, a lobbying organization that supports and conducts educational and legislative activities promoting common interests of Illinois county governments.

The Metro Counties organization includes Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Lake, Will, Kane, Kendall, Madison, McHenry, McLean, St. Clair, Tazewell and Winnebago counties. Metro Counties of Illinois represents more than 80 percent of the state's population.

Schmidt was elected president by a vote of the chief elected officials from those counties that comprise Metro Counties' membership. She succeeds St. Clair County Board Chairman John Baricevic.

"The election of Chairman Schmidt to serve as president of Metro Counties is a vote of confidence in her leadership capabilities," said DuPage County Board Chairman

Robert Schillerstrom. "Her peers in county government in the Metro Counties organization are confident she will lead us with vision and determination."

'It is an honor to elected to this position. Metro Counties is an important voice for the larger Illinois county governments on the state and federal level," Schmidt said. "I'm excited that through the presidency of Metro Counties, Lake County will have a strong voice in the decision-making of state and federal legislators."

Schmidt will serve a two year term.

Geo-Karis: Lottery may be ticket to fighting breast cancer

State Sen. Adeline Geo-Karis (R-Zion) announced her co-sponsorship of Senate Bill 1, legislation initiated by Sens. Mattie Hunter

(D-Chicago) and James DeLeo (D-Chicago).

Senate Bill 1 establishes a new lottery game, "Ticket for the Cure," which is expected to raise an estimated \$2,75 to \$3 million annually, and as much as \$15 million over five years, to fund breast cancer research.

The money would be used to fund increased early detection efforts, raise prevention awareness, and provide screening and treatment, such as clinical trials and special services for breast cancer victims, Geo-Karis

"I have never bought a lottery ticket in my

life, but I will be buying this lottery ticket," Geo-Karis said.

An estimated 1-in-7 women will develop breast cancer, and statistics indicated that this year approximately 10,000 women in Illinois will discover that they have breast cancer.

Additionally, the Illinois Department of Public Health reports that more than 40,000 women in the United States will die this year from breast cancer; more than 2,000 of them will be from Illinois.

If approved by the General Assembly, and signed into law, Illinois would be the first state in the nation to create a lottery game where the net profits would go to finance breast cancer research.

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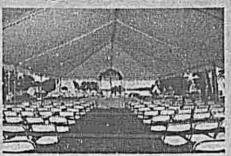
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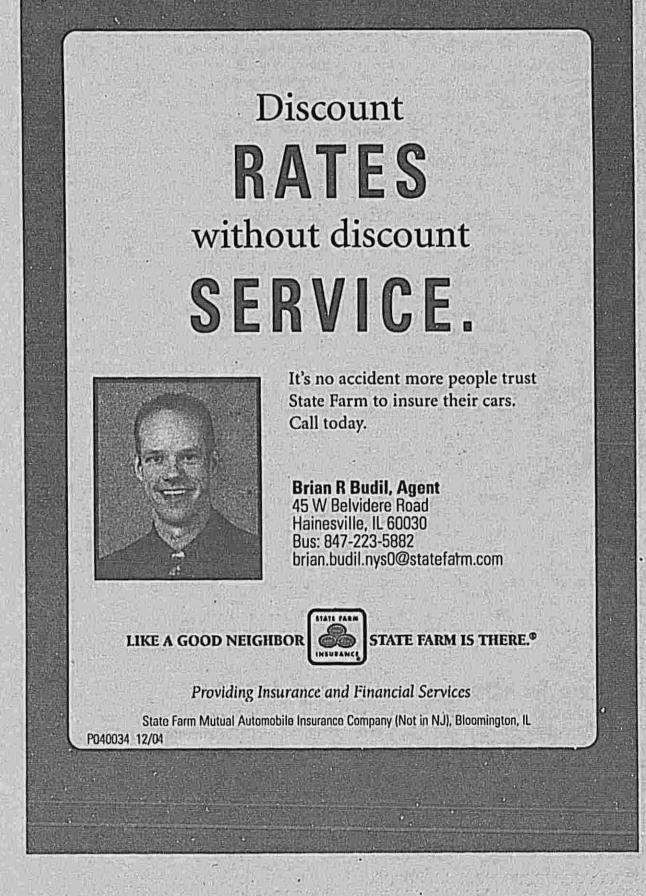
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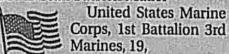




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UBITUARIES

LCPL Sean Patrick Maher



Cherished son of Daniel (Janet) nee, (Kurth) Maher: loving brother of Daniel II (Rebecca), and Katrina Maher, devoted grandson of Cyril J. and Margaret Maher and Grace (Ray) Ollech; and the late Albert Kurth; great grandson of Angelina LaGalante; beloved nephew, cousin, and dear friend to many.

Visitation will be held 4-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 10 at Warren Township High School, 34090 Almond Rd. Gurnee, and 9:30 - 11 a.m., Friday, Feb. 11, at St. Paul the Apostle Church, 6401 Gages Lake Rd. Gurnee, with a Funeral Service at 11, a.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to: S.C.O.R.E (Stadium Committee on Renovations and Enhancement), c/o SCORE for Warren TWP High School Community Trust Credit Union (847) 662-2050. Marsh Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Please join us in honoring Sean by visiting our Memorial at www.mem.com where you may share your thoughts and fond memories with the family.

Patricia J. Stark

Age 74, of McHenry and formerly a longtime resident of Medinah, died Friday, Feb. 4, 2005, in Lake Zurich.

She was born Jan. 9, 1931, in Oak Park, to Paul and Eloise (Quayle) Mathieu. She married John William "Bill" Stark on May 17, 1952, in Oak Park. She was a professional secretary for many years and was with the Girl Scout Council in Elk Grove Village for most of her career. She enjoyed gardening, cooking and baking with her family. She also enjoyed nature and was an avid reader.

Survivors include two children, William "Scott" (Kim) Stark of Wheatfield, N.Y., and Cindy (Jeffrey) Thielsen of McHenry; five grandchildren, Christopher and Nicholas "Nicky," and Melissa (Michael) Eddy, Kristine and Charlene; one great grandchild, Bryce; and a brother, Paul Jacques "Jack" (Bunny) Mathieu of Arizona City, Ariz.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, on June 9, 2000; and a daughter-in-law, Lori.

The visitation was from 5-9 p.m., Feb. 7, at K.K. Hamsher Funeral Home, Fox Lake (The Chapel on the Lake). The Funeral Mass was celebrated at 10 a.m., Feb. 8, at the Church of Holy Apostles in McHenry, with visitation one hour prior at 9 a.m. Interment will be private.

Dona H. Mohr

Age 65, a lifelong resident of Ingleside passed away Thursday Feb. 3, 2005 at her home. She was born to Helen and the late John Emslie.

Dona leaves behind her loving husband of 49 years Charles Mohr, her mother Helen Booster, her children John Mohr, Arlene Long, Judy Field, and Shari Foster; her sister; her brother; her 12 grandchildren, and her nine great-grandchildren (one is on the way). She is preceded in death by her father John Emslie; her stepfather Larry Booster; and her three children Charles, Robert, and Melody Mohr.

A funeral service was held Feb. 8, at 8 p.m., at Strang Funeral Chapel & Crematorium in Grayslake. Friends of the family visited from 4 p.m. until the time of the service.

Helmut J. Stockdreher

Age 76 of Antioch, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2005 at his home. He was born in Bischofsburg, Germany, the son of the late Joseph and Elisabeth (Flakowski) Stockdreher, Helmut was a baker for many years and loved to garden. He was a member of the Bakery & Confectionery Union Local in Chicago, the A. A. R. P. and had served in the U. S. Army during the Korean War. On July 4, 1957 he married Beate Kohs in Chicago and she preceded him in death on July 19, 2000.

Survivors are four children, Dorene (Jim) Niziolek and Armin, Dexter and Helmut A. Stockdreher, his dear friend Mark Graham, his Brother-in-law; and sister-in-law. He is the beloved uncle of many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews and will be greatly missed by many friends and neighbors. In addition to his wife he is preceded in death by his brothers and sisters, Andreas, Herbert, Hildegard, Hedwig and Ceila and by his mother-in-law Maria and his brother-in-law Paul.

Funeral Service was held at 5 p.m., Feb 5, at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch, with visitation from 2-6 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations to Vista Star Hospice will be appreciated.

Bernice 'Bea' Ann Tiffany (nee Butko)

Age 83, a Grayslake resident, passed away at home, after a lengthy illness on Monday, Jan. 31, 2005. She was born in Chicago to Frank and Mary (nee Cygan) Cholewa. In her

earlier years, Bernice was employed by the Montgomery Ward Co. in Waukegan, Rausmussen's Grocery Store in Grayslake, The National Tea Co. in Grayslake, the A & P Co. in Round Lake Beach, and Burkey Packing Co., later called Grayslake Packing. Later in life, Bernice was the owner of Bea Tiffany Catering of Grayslake, co-owner of the Village Deli in Grayslake, and the owner of the Country Smoke House in Long Grove, until retiring in 2000.

Survivors include her daughter, Jane A. (Ken) Tiffany-Hansen of Grayslake, her daughter-in-law Greta K. Butko of McHenry, her three grandchildren; and her great-grandson. She is preceded in death by, her sister; first husband, Jacob J. Butko; second husband, Kent J. Tiffany; son Jacob J. Butko, and parents.

Friends of the family visited on Feb. 3, from 4-8 p.m. at Strang Funeral Chapel And Crematorium, in Grayslake. A funeral service was held on, Feb. 4, at 10 a.m., also at Strang Funeral Chapel. Interment followed at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville.

Harold W. 'Dee' Dammann

Age 71, a Round Lake
Beach resident, passed
away Wednesday, Jan.
19, 2005 at Condell
Medical Center in Libertyville. He
was born in Chicago to Harold A. and
Harriet (nee Prendergast) Dammann
on June 24, 1933. He graduated from
Grant High School in 1951. Dee was
drafted by the Army in 1953, and was
stationed in Bordeaux, France. He
worked 38 enjoyable years for North
Shore Gas Company.

Dee is survived by his wife of 44 years, Barbara {nee Reiff}, whom he wed on Nov. 19, 1960 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Round Lake Park, his sister Judith (the late John) Magee of Lindenhurst; and many cherished nieces, nephews, greatnieces, and great-nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents; his siblings; Donald Dammann, Gerald Dammann, and Betty Spaulding.

Friends of the family joined them for the visitation on Jan. 23, from 2:30-6:30 p.m. at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium, Grayslake. The funeral service was held at 11 a.m., with viewing beginning at 10 a.m. on Jan. 24, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Round Lake Park, with Reverend Robert Miselwitz officiating. Interment followed at Highland Memorial Park in Libertyville. Memorial donations may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Ismael Diaz Montanez

Age 67 of Round Lake Heights,

died Friday, Feb. 4, 2005 at his home. He was born in Bayamon Cidra, Puerto Rico to the late Felix Diaz and Celia Montanez.

Survivors include his wife, Maria
A. Diaz Rodriguez of Round Lake
Heights; 'three children, Carla
(Miguel) Martinez of Round Lake
Heights, Paul (Amanda) Reyes of
Chicago, Oswaldo (Blanca) Reyes of
Chicago; five grandchildren; two
great-grandchildren; two sisters and
one brother. He is preceded in death
by his parents.

Visitation was from 1-4 p.m., Feb. 6 at Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home. The Funeral Service was at 10:30 a.m., Feb. 7 at the funeral home with the Rev. Cristo Es La Verdad officiating. Interment was in Avon Centre Cemetery in Grayslake.

Laura Ann Wisch

Age 32 of Antioch, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2005 on arrival at Victory Memorial Hospital in Waukegan.

Survivors include her son Nicholas; her parents, James and Linda (Eggert) Wisch of Antioch; her two brothers; two nieces; and her dear friend and companion Michelle Magee.

Memorial Service with Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10 a.m., Feb. 4 at St. Peter Church in Antioch with visitation one hour prior at 9 a.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the family. Arrangements were handled by the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch.

Eugene M. Amann

Age 79 of Round Lake, died peacefully, Monday, Jan. 31, 2005 at his home. He was born in Round Lake to the late Aloysius and Anna (Freund) Amann. On July 15, 1950, he married Lorraine Deinlein at St. Mary's Church in Fremont Center. He served in the U.S. Army. Eugene was employed at Rockenbach Chevrolet in Grayslake for 42 years, retired in 1989. On Dec. 21, 2003, at Holy Name Cathedral, he was awarded the Christifideles award "Faithfulness" and dedication

in ministry by Cardinal George.
Survivors include his loving wife of 54 years, Lorraine of Round Lake; his children, David Amann of Round Lake, Carole (Tom) Wilson of Savoy, Doris (Jim) Robers of Sycamore, Carl (Rhonda) Amann of Bolingbrook, Donna (Tom) Smith of Tulsa, Okla.; five grandchildren; many cousins and his lifelong friend, Ed Luby. He is preceded in death by his parents.

Friends met the family from 5-9 p.m., Feb. 3 at Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home. The Funeral Mass was held Feb. 4 at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church in Round Lake with the Rev. Don Lund officiating. Memorials to St. Joseph's Church or Lake County Right to Life would be appreciated. Interment was at St. Mary Fremont Center Cemetery.

Catalina Vazquez

Age 74, a resident of Round Lake for the past four years, passed away Friday, Feb. 4, 2005 at the Condell Medical Center in Libertyville.

Surviving are four sons, Jose (Gloria) of Mundelein, Jaime (Rosa) of Round Lake Beach, Reynaldo (Tisha) of Toledo, Ohio and Cornelio (Nely) of Round Lake; four daughters, Alva Vazquez of Vernon Hills, Florinda (Juan) Solano of Round Lake Beach, Rosa (Encarnacion) Blanco of Round Lake Park and Yolanda (Amado) Carreon of Round

Lake Beach; 26 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren; and one brother living in Mexico. She is preceded in death by her husband, Anastacio Vazquez on Dec. 18, 1994.

Prayers began at 10:15 a.m., Feb. 7 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville and service continued to Santa Maria del Popolo Chapel for the Funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Interment followed at Ascension Cemetery. Visitation was from 2-6 p.m., Feb. 6 at the funeral home.

Helen G. Helma (nee Geisler)

Age 90, a longtime resident of Ingleside, died Sunday, Feb. 6, 2005 in Wauconda. She was born in Chicago, to Marcel and (nee Lawrence) Geisler and was a homemaker.

Survivors include one son, Lawrence (Lynn) Helma of Harvard; one daughter, Lorraine (Martin) Badegian of Ingleside, with whom she made her home; 11grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren, as well as her daughter-in-law, Janet Helma of Florida; her brothers and sister. She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Andrew R. Helma on April 27, 1973; and two brothers and two sisters.

Visitation was on Feb. 9 from 3-6 p.m., at the K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home in Fox Lake (The Chapel on the lake). Funeral Service was conducted at 6 p.m., Feb. 9 at the funeral home. Interment was private. Memorials for Care Center of Wauconda, 176 Thomas St., Wauconda, IL 60084, Attention: Activity Fund, will be appreciated by the family.

Donald J. Hahn

Age 75 of Spring Grove, died Feb. 5, 2005 at his home. He was a Korean war veteran, a retired Spring Grove firefighter and the founder of the Spring Grove Heating.

He is survived by his wife, Lucille (nee Rinda); his children, Kathleen (John) Schmalfeldt, Robert (Karen) Hahn, and Donald Jr. (Marcia) Hahn; eight grandchildren; one great-grandchild and many nieces and nephews. Donald is preceded in death by his parents, Jacob and Clara Hahn and a sister.

Visitation was held from 3-8 p.m., Feb. 7 at the Spring Grove Funeral Chapel. On Feb. 8, prayer service was held at 9:15 a.m., with Mass at 10 a.m., at St. Peter Church in Spring Grove. Burial was at St. Peter Parish Cemetery in Spring Grove.

Valentine E. Nicpon

Age 87 of Trevor, Wis., passed away Monday Feb. 7, 2005 at his home. He was born in Chicago, the son of the late Louis and Anastasia (Bank) Nicpon, moving to Wisconsin in 1953. As an avid sportsman he loved golf, bowling, racket ball and baseball. On May 25, 1940 he married Evelyn Girsch in Chicago.

Survivors include his wife of nearly 65 years, Evelyn; a daughter Nancy Nicpon of Trevor, Wis.; three grandchildren, Leanne (Jim) Ahler, Chad (Jennifer) Nicpon and Heather Nicpon; his daughter-in-law Denise Nicpon and eight great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by a son, Kenneth Nicpon in 1999, four sisters, and a brother.

Funeral Services were held at 10 a.m., Feb. 10, at the Strang Funeral Home, 1055 Main St, (Route 83) Antioch, with burial in Wilmot Cemetery, Wilmot, Wis. Visitation was from 4-8 p.m., Feb. 10.

MEMORIAL MASS

James Polewaczyk Died Jan. 23, 2005 in Tennessee

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at 1 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 12 for James at the Prince of Peace Catholic Church at Routes 83 and 132, in Lake Villa

Family and friends are invited to attend this Mass to join his children, Paul, Nicole and Matthew and sister, Terry, in remembrance.



County receives grant for homeless services

Lake County agencies will continue to enhance programs and services for

the homeless as a result of a \$1,889,324 grant from the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development. The announced grant comprises the entire funding request made by the Lake County Board.

"We received our full funding request for the fifth year in a row, which will greatly benefit Lake County's growing homeless population," according to County Board Community and Economic Development Committee

Chair Angelo Kyle (D-Waukegan). "I believe that is a testament to the quality of homeless assistance programs available in Lake County as well as the hard work of the County's Planning, Building and Development staff."

The county requests funding annually via its Continuum of Care program, which provides homeless services countywide and includes the county's largest cities of North Chicago and Waukegan. As part of the Continuum of Care, County government officials work with local partners to document

the needs of homeless residents and establish an agenda of funding priorities.

The Lake County Department of Planning, Building and Development and the Community Development Commission collaborate with homeless service providers, human service agencies and other local government and community representatives to allocate limited resources and provide effective services to the county's homeless.

The federal Continuum of Care is a set of three competitive grant programs by which the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded more than \$1.2 billion to address the problems of homelessness throughout the nation.

Lake County was the fourth-highest recip-

ient of grant funding among counties in Illinois. Cook County received \$5.8 million followed by Will County, which received \$2.85 million, and DuPage County, which received \$2.6 million.

Lake County's Continuum of Care Advisory Planning Group assists with developing the County's grant application. The members' time, hard work and commitment produced HUD grants for the following agencies: Shields Township (\$722,700); Catholic Charities (\$170,100); IPLUS (\$38,414); Independence Center (\$118,802); A Safe Place (\$105,000); Emmaus House of Hospitality (\$93,086); Prairie State Legal Services (\$150,000); Christian Outreach of Lutherans (\$82,469); PADS Crisis Services (\$408,753).

Althoff backs malpractice insurance reform now

By Steve Peterson

Staff Reporter

State Sen. Pamela Althoff (R-McHenry) joined doctors and legislators to support efforts to help keep doctors in Illinois.

"I have personally met physicians who have had to make the difficult decision to close their doors because they simply cannot afford their medical malpractice insurance premiums anymore. These costs keep going up even if no one files a lawsuit against them. We cannot sit idly by and expect this problem to take care of itself. We need to take action and take it now," Althoff said.

Althoff was joined by both Illinois State House of Representative members and State Senate members and physicals.

All of the lawmakers and doctors wore patient-style wrist bands that read, "keep doctors in Illinois." More than 25,000 of these wristbands have been distributed so far and one was given to President George W. Bush when he gave a policy speech on legal reform in Collinsville.

Althoff said that the legislation is a comprehensive plan that is the result of many hours of negotiations. She said legal reforms such as caps on non-economic damages remain a key component of the legislation. There are 25 states with caps and those states average 12 percent more physicians per capita than the states without caps

on non-economic damages. In 2003, the Texas state legislature passed a \$250,000 cap on non-economic damages and as a result, increase costs for hospitals dropped 17 percent. In addition. Texas's largest medical malpractice insurer has lowered medical malpractice premiums by 12 percent, according to a news release.

Illinois liability premiums are 100 to 300 percent higher than premiums for Wisconsin, Missouri and Indiana.

Key provisions of the legislation are: to reduce unwarranted lawsuits, cap non-economic damages while preserving unlimited economic damages, enact sensible insurance reform; enhance medical discipline, enable annuity payments for awards, protect physicians' personal assets and clarify the principle of apparent agency.

"These are serious proposals about a serious problem. There is no question that this legislation would fly through the legislature if it ever came up for a vote. Unfortunately, moving this legislation to either the House floor or the Senate is going to be tough. If we are going to have success, it is going to take the continued efforts of doctors and their patients to bring attention to this issue. I certainly look forward to working with the medical community and concerned citizens in trying to bring a meaningful solution to this health care crisis," Althoff said in a statement.

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accepted the award, while a room full of chairman and audience members gave him a standing ovation.

"It's a very bittersweet moment for me," Pugesek said. "I did my job as anyone would have done it. It's sad that these two men would lose their life trying to enjoy their life."

Board member Bonnie Thomson Carter (R-Ingleside) was on the scene on the day of the accident. She thanked Pugesek for his work, adding that she was very concerned about him when she found out he was injured.

Judy Martini (R-Antioch) also praised
Pugesek and the entire sheriff's office, saying
Lake County residents should rest assured that
there are brave men protecting them.

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Pugesek said his bravery in the situation is something he would repeat.

"You know I am back on the street and if I had to, I would do it again," Pugesek said.

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BOBEL

ceded him in death.

Bobel worked 32 years for the United States Steel Corporation, eventually becoming president of the United States Steel Federal Credit Union.

His work led him to become involved in several political campaigns, and Bobel served as a precinct committeeman and past chairman of the Waukegan Township Republican Party.

Civic involvement remained important for Bobel throughout his life, and he became a member of the Lake County Board of Realtors, Waukegan City Club, Lake County Republican Federation and the Knights of Columbus. He was also a member of the Homer Dahringer Post #548 of the American Legion, and General Casmir Pulaski Post 25 of Polish Legions of American Veterans

Bobel is survived by his four children, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren and two sisters. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Disease Foundation, 4709 Golf Road, #1015, Skokie, IL 60076.

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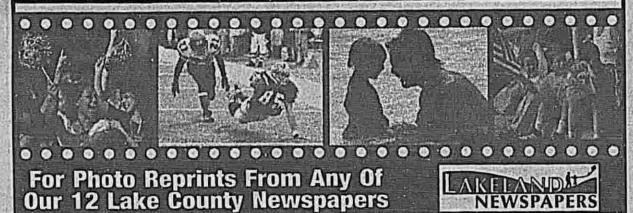
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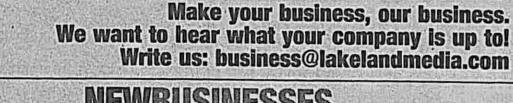
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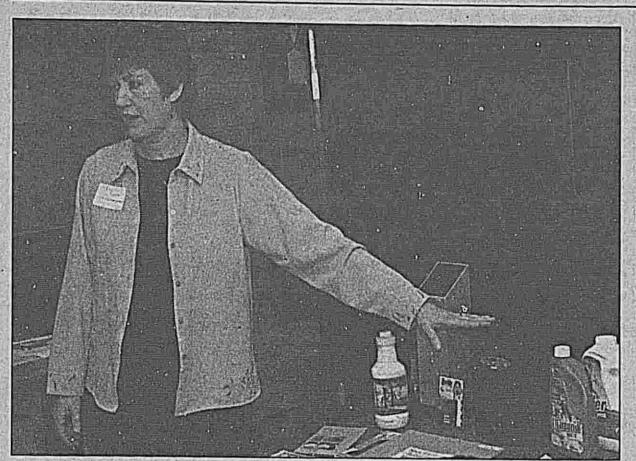
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Chamber provides first networking group for women

By Kyle Schmitt Staff Reporter

Launched less than six months ago, the biggest issue that members have with the Women's Networking Group is why the group took so long to be established.

The group has enjoyed an "overwhelming response" since forming in September, said Lake County Chamber of Commerce member relations coordinator Martha Appelhans. Between 30 and 40 female professionals and business owners attend the monthly meetings, with membership steadily increasing for the county chamber affiliate.

The group's monthly meetings have solicited positive feedback from both chamber members and visitors, who discover business contacts, information and events of which many were not aware. A mix of experienced owners and young professionals creates a comfort level for all involved, Appelhans said.

fortable around other women, and sometimes they're more inspired by other women who are in business and have made it work," she

Women have a natural ability to network,

Appelhans said, and find time to market their own businesses as well as pursue connections that could benefit their workplaces in the future. Group members have sought and found help with a variety of needs, receiving financing advice from bankers and contact information for reliable babysitters for their children.

"They can't wait for (the monthly meeting). Maybe it's that herding type of thing, maybe women like to herd together, like a women's scout group," she said, laughing.

The group last met Tuesday, when Debbie Mumm of the Gurnee-based Healthy Environment, Inc. made a presentation titled, "Is Your Home or Office Making You Sick?" Guest speakers have also lectured on business tax regulations, decorating homes and offices for the holidays and general marketing strategies.

Appelhans said she would like to see the group eventually meet multiple times each month. New business owners and professional who have recently moved to the area are welcome to attend.

Meetings are now held the second "Sometimes they tend to be more com- Tuesday of each month, at In-Laws Restaurant in Gurnee. The group meets from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., and the cost for a buffet lunch is \$10.

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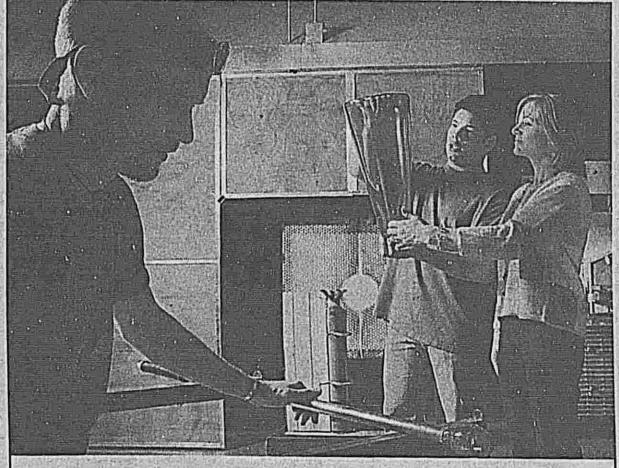
Office Geeks, 1711 Golf Rd., Apt. 220, Waukegan, 847-599-0473. Owner: LaRhonda Johnson. Purpose: Computer Consulting and Mail Order.

Mimi Nails, 2193 N. Ill. Route 83, Round Lake Beach, 847-609-3193. Owner: David Truong. Purpose: Nail Salon

Little Listeners, 790 Barron Blvd., (Route 83), Grayslake, 847-217-0961. Owner: Leslie Schumaker. Purpose: Auditory Verbal Therapy Center.

Nana's Pizza Kitchen, 25188 W. 173, Antioch, 847-395-0070. Owner: Lena Faulkner. Purpose: Fast Food Restaurant.

Lake County Choppers, 520 Morningside Dr., Round Lake Beach, 847-546-2092. Owner: Kathleen Graf. Purpose: Building and Repairing Motorcycles.



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The seminar is set for Feb. 23, at 6:30 p.m., at the Ramada Inn in Waukegan, at 200 N. Green Bay Road.

"Planning for your financial future, retirement and kid's education can take a toll on any pocketbook. If you have the tools and savvy you need to make informed, smart decisions, it can make planning that much easier," commented Sean Rathjen, President of CCCU.

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CONDELL HEALTH NETWORK

Condell Health Network to Host Free Lifesaving Echocardiogram Screening No One Should Have a Broken Heart on

No One Should Have a Broken Heart on Valentine's Day. Free echocardiograms sponsored by Condell Health Network for athletes at Carmel High School to screen for hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, an abnormal growth of muscle fibers in the heart muscle that can lead to sudden cardiac death. Technicians from Condell's Cardiology Dept. will be administering the non-invasive echocardiograms and cardiologist Joel Okner, MD, will be interpreting the results. Participation is entirely free of charge.

The screening area will be decorated with heart-shaped helium balloons and each student athlete who participates will receive a Valentine cookie and a gold-colored heart-shaped carabiner key chain, symbolizing that if the screening comes out negative, their hearts are "as good as gold." Any student found to have hypertrophic cardiomyopathy will be referred for medical follow-up and treatment. This condition is present in about 1 in 500 people, and causes sudden, unexpected death in young athletes. Program goal is to reach all student athletes in Lake County, Illinois in the coming months and years.

When: Monday, Feb. 14, 2005 Where: Carmel High School, Mundelein, Hesse Center, located on the north end of campus

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PARENT'S PLACE

Dr. Sherri Singer

Ui Dr Singer

My son gets very stressed out in school and it seems to be during times when he cannot figure things out quickly. I'm not sure if the going slow is causing him to stress out or if his stressing out is causing him to move slower on work. Have you seen this before and if so, which direction does it usually go and what do you do to help? L.M.

Hi L.M.,

Yes, I have worked with lots of kids in exactly that situation and usually, it is a little of both. Usually we see a very good prognosis with something like this. Keep in mind that I have not met your child and don't know the history. This kind of thing usually begins as a processing speed issue/multi-tasking issue that the child is sensitive to. The child realizes that he or she is working more slowly than others around him or her or the child realizes that he or she cannot integrate the information as well as others. That leads to stress which in turn leads to slower performance. It's like a vicious cycle that needs to be broken in order for the child to feel better and perform better.

I usually start by vigorously training the processing speed, memory and multi-tasking of each child who meets with me. To explain processing speed and memory, I will compare it to RAM and microprocessors in a computer. For those of you that are not computer savvy, RAM stands for Random Access Memory and it is thing that creates the multi-tasking abilities of a computer. Anyone who

Is stress causing slow performance or causing stress?

has ever tried to work with multiple programs at once or multiple 'windows' at once on the computer knows what multi-tasking is. A computer with low multi-tasking abilities brings up a screen line by line or stalls out when too many programs are operating. A machine with good RAM can open many windows at once, can display the screen all at once and can handle lots of information at one time. The better or higher the RAM is, the more information the computer can use at the same time. The microprocessor controls the speed of the computer and the better the microprocessor, the faster the computer is at processing the information. Our brains our very similar to this. You have to have the speed and the memory to be able to multitask and the ability to multi-task flawlessly is what decreases or does away with the stress. That's really it in basic terms. In fact, I will go as far as saying that most of the kids I have had come in for so called 'attention' problems are usually having problems with processing speed and memory. When the speed and memory are not as good as they could be, these kids lose interest. They aren't getting to the end point fast enough and therefore, get lost along the way. I usually successfully improve this type of thing just by improving the processing speed, memory and ability to multi-task or handle multiple things at once through specific practice.

The stress part usually fades on it's own once these kids realize that with some practice they can work faster and can do much better. Of course, the less time the stress has had to build up, the easier it is to unravel, but that does not mean that kids who have had stress for a long time are not able to be helped. Even adults can change this pattern and completely turn around their style of

learning with the right practice. So, don't panic. It's never too late to change it, but of course, the earlier the better. Sometimes, when stress is part of it, kids are accused of having an 'emotional problem' when the underlying root cause has always been a cognitive processing issue that needs to be unraveled, practiced and ultimately fixed. That doesn't mean that some counseling about the emotional piece wouldn't be helpful as well.

Dr. Sherri Singer is a Licensed Clinical Psychologist and Childhood Behavior Specialist. She regularly works in person with many readers of this column, helping them to significantly improve their kid,s attention, behavior, processing skills and self-esteem. Dr. Singer's program has promoted behavior and attention change both at home and school. To change your child's life for the better, please call (847) 231-5644 or (708) 962-2549.

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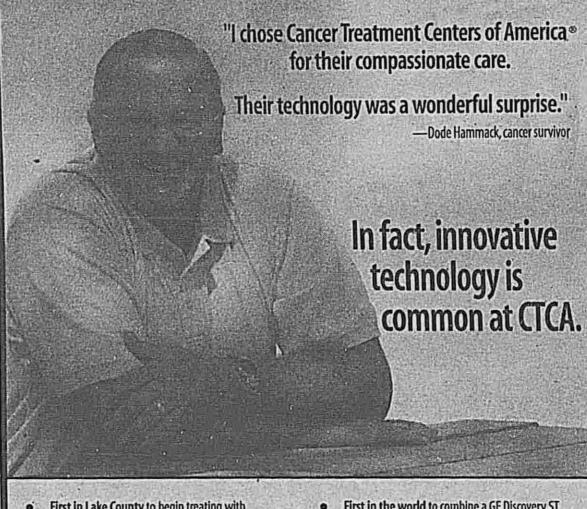
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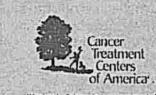
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JENNY **ECKHART** CARMEL

Just when Carmel senior Jenny Eckhart couldn't seem to play any better, she did. Eckhart poured in a career-high 33 points in a 47-28 win over

Providence on Friday. She then added 17 in a 42-36 victory over Bishop McNamara on Saturday.



BRIAN CENTELLA GRAYSLAKE .

Showcasing his seemingly effortaless ability to drive to the basket, Grayslake senior Brian Centella scored a careerhigh 31 points in a 59-47 win over Cary-Grove on Friday. The win was Grayslake's third straight.





BOYS' BASKETBALL

With Warren's quest to finish the NSC Lake season unbeaten just two victories away from completion, a home game against Lake Forest on Friday looks to be the team's toughest remaining test.

Lakeland Newspapers Sports Editor Rob Backus's rankings of area high school teams

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Out of the black, into the blue

Trio of Libertyville stars commit to Division I programs

By Matt Pera Sports Reporter

ibertyville High School seniors David Moosman and Jeff Fontana may not be on the same team next year, but they will be on the same field when the University of Michigan hosts Northern Illinois University in the 2005 season opener.

Moosman, a blue chip offensive line recruit, will represent the Wolverines, while Fontana, a running back/defensive back, will be on the Huskies' sideline.

While the long-time Libertyville teammates are redshirting as true freshmen next season, it didn't mean they couldn't engage in a little bit of friendly trash talk about the Michigan-NIU game during National Signing Day Feb. 2. It also didn't stop their high

school coach from getting in on some of the good-natured rib-

bing.
"You guys will have kind of a game," breather that first game," Libertyville head football coach Randy Kuceyeski said to

Fontana with a grin on his face.
"We play Northwestern next
year too," Fontana retorted. "That should be our easiest game of the season."

(By the way, Kuceyeski played for Northwestern).

The conference room at Libertyville High School was pretty full Feb. 2 as Moosman signed on the dotted line, making his commitment to Michigan official.

Although Fontana had already signed his letter earlier in the day, he sat in on the festivi-

Senior linebacker Matt Norcia sat next to Fontana, putting his signature on a letter of intent for Wofford University in South Carolina.

Norcia had a standout year for the Wildcats defense, boasting 59 solo tackles, 35 assisted and 10.5 sacks on the season.

He said the Wofford coaches saw him by chance while they were scouting Libertyville's offense.

"They looked at our film just to see how we run those certain plays and they happened to look at the defensive side too and see me and they liked what they saw," Norcia said.

After a 14-0 season that brought Libertyville its first ever football state title (a 13-3 win over Cary-Grove in Champaign Nov. 27) it seems appropriate that three of the team's best players are earning



Photo by Sandy Bressner

Libertyville High School senior David Moosman shares a laugh with football teammate Jeff Fontana after Moosman signed his Letter of Intent to play football at the University of Michigan. Fontana had signed his letter to play at Northern Illinois University earlier in the day.

'It's kind of the icing on the cake to have three kids that have full rides. They'll have the opportunity to get an education while doing something they love.'

Tim Albers Libertyville athletic director

full scholarships to Division 1 schools.

"It's kind of the icing on the cake to have three kids that have full rides," Libertyville athletic director Tim Albers said. "They'll have the opportunity to get an education while doing something they love."

Moosman said education was a key reason he opted for Michigan. The 6-5, 280-pound lineman had his choices narrowed down to Notre Dame, Wisconsin, Iowa and Michigan before he settled on the Wolverines.

After the firing of Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham, and the ensuing controversy over former Utah coach Urban Meyer choosing to take the helm at the University of Florida instead of Notre Dame, a move to South Bend became a long shot.

Moosman then found out that his scholarship offer from Iowa had been rescinded because the Hawkeyes had filled their quota of players.

That left two options. "It was basically down to Michigan and Wisconsin and I picked Michigan because it has better academics," Moosman explained. "They're more renowned, and there's better competition there among the

He will have plenty of competition just among the players

Including Moosman, the Wolverines have five incoming freshman that play offensive line. Among them are 6-7, 305pounder Cory Zirbel from Murray, Ky. and 6-6, 260-pounder Tim McAvoy from Bloomington, Ill.

Moosman will redshirt while recovering from a shoulder injury he sustained during the playoffs this past season. He had arthroscopic surgery on the shoulder in early January and said he is currently working on regaining his full range of motion.

"Right now, before we strengthen it, I'm stretching it so I can get the mobility back," he said. "I'm trying to get the mobil-. ity back first and then get the strength part. So we have to let it heal up good and tight."

Moosman was able to see one of the best Big Ten games of the 2004 season on his recruiting trip to Ann Arbor Oct. 30, when the Wolverines hosted one of their biggest rivals-Michigan State.

The Wolverines fell behind early but came roaring back in the fourth quarter to win the game 45-37.

Moosman said he was impressed with the size and the noise level at Michigan's home stadium, known by the blue and gold faithful as "The Big House."

And if he thought it was loud when the Wolverines took on Michigan State, he knows it will

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Rob Backus • Sports Editor

The old college try

ast week marked a spe-cial day for high school football players all across the country— National Signing Day. Last Wednesday, dozens of local athletes made commitments that could affect the rest of their lives. But it's easy to forget the contributions that hundreds of former prep stars are making to their current schools.

With that in mind, here's the latest update for a few local standouts now giving it their all on the collegiate level. Augustana College junior

Joe Baumann (Carmel) is fourth on the team in scoring with 8.4 points per game, shooting an impressive 41 percent from three-point territory and 81 percent from the charity stripe. The Vikings are currently 13-6 overall and battling for second place in the CCIW with a 5-3 record.

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater sophomore Bill Stranberg (Libertyville) is off to a fast start on the season for the men's tennis team. He's currently 6-2 overall, including recent wins at No. 6 singles and No.3 doubles with teammate Derek Nelson as the Warhawks have achieved a No. 11 ranking in the Div. III Central mid-season poll.

While her team has had its struggles this season, Augustana sophomore Kim Rymer (Vernon Hills) has fared well so far. She's currently third on the team in rebounding with 4.9 per game, and is also sixth on the team in scoring with 5.2 points per game for the Lady Vikings, who are 6-14 overall and 3-7 in the CCIW.

A pair of Warren graduates are also doing well in women's hoops. **Melanie Foreman**, a 6-2 junior at
Carroll College in Waukesha, Wis., is the starting center and one of the leading scorers for the Pioneers at 7.3 points per game. She's also third on the team in rebounding with 4.1 per game as Carroll is currently 7-11 overall and 6-5 in the Midwest Conference.

Even though she's been coming off the bench for Bradley University, sopho-more forward **Amy Peters** is currently fifth on the team in

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Life's a bowl of cherries for area threesome

By Steve Peterson

Staff Reporter

Grant High senior Stephanie Ankebrant has experience going for her as she has bowled at the venue for the state girls bowling tournament previously.

"We bowled last year in a tournament. She shot a couple of 500s. She was comfortable," said GCHS coach Matt Erickson.

The senior earned Grant's first spot in the state individual bowling finals in decades with a pin total of 1,1,45 at the Zion-Benton sectional. The school had an official "send off" for her Feb. 10 before the Feb. 11-12 meet at Cherry Lanes near Rockford.

"My goal is to make it to the upper half and make it to Saturday morning," Ankebrant said. She has been bowling since her days as a toddler in Saturday morning leagues.

A change in the lineup may have helped her do so well at the sectional. "She had started the year as out anchor bowler, but wee put her at the four and five spots. That took the pressure off," Erickson said. It worked, as Ankebrant earned all-NSC honors before the sectional.

"It (making state) was not a surprise to me. She had confidence. She started the sectional with a 221 game, and I thought she could do it," Erickson said. "If she averages 190, she should be able to make it to the second day."

She dropped from second to fifth place in individuals when the thumb in her throwing hand swelled. One ball she threw went off the mark. Erickson said some mending of the ball to fit her thumb was the adjustment that was needed.

But Ankebrant had a lot of support, from teammates and friends Renee and Bill Davern, even as Warren and Palatine were vying for the team title in close by lanes.

She beat out Maggie Zakzrewski of Palatine by four pins for the second spot. Rachel Kerner of Antioch won the top individual title with a 1,163 total. Warren junior Laquechia Rogers also qualified for the state meet.

Jamie VanHansalaere, a junior from Grant, was a near miss, about 100 pins behind. Her chance will come next year.



LICENSE TO DRIVE

Photo by Steve Young

Antioch Community High School's Jessica McWilliams drives past Warren's Sarah Boothe in a loss to the Blue Devils last Saturday.

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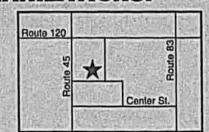
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MOOSMAN

go up a few notches when Michigan hosts their most bitter rival, Ohio State, this coming season.

. There are few rivalries in sports that match the intensity level of the Wolverines vs. the Buckeyes.

"It's crazy," Moosman said. "They were telling me one kid accidentally broke his phone against the wall after they lost (37-21 to Ohio State last Nov. 20). It's tough but you've just got to win. It's going to be fun. Hopefully we'll be on the better side of those rivalries."

After losing the last two Rose Bowls (28-14 to USC in 2004 and 38-37 to Texas in 2005), Moosman also hopes to see his new squad end the season on a more positive note this coming New Year's Day.

"It would be great if we could get back to the Rose Bowl and do a little better than we did the last two years," he said. "Hopefully third time is a charm."

Moosman began playing offensive line when he was in fourth grade, joking that he "was always the fat kid in front" during youth football.

And after years of hard work, his dedication has translated into a chance to play for one of the most storied college football programs in the country.

"At first when I was playing, I just liked watching the big guys," he said. "Then get-

ting closer (to making a decision about college) it was like, it could be a possibility and then, now, it's really coming true. It's a great feeling."

Kuceyeski added that he feels a great deal of pride seeing three players from his statechampion squad head to Division 1 schools.

"It's the first time it's ever happened," he said.

With Santino Panico currently a freshman at Nebraska and Moosman now heading to Michigan, the Wildcats are apparently becoming a pipeline for big-time college programs.

"We've had some teams where we have someone worthy of going to a really good school to play some good football," Kuceyeski said.

And next year he may have to re-load, but he said he was not too worried. The Wildcats have some key returning varsity players andsome up-and-comers from this year's sophomore team.

Junior transfer Cameron Turner, son of new Chicago Bears' offensive coordinator Ron Turner, will also suit up for Libertyville next year as a senior quarterback.

So, despite the loss in personnel, Libertyville shouldn't be lacking in the talent department.

"Oh yeah," Kuceyeski said. "No problem



Libertyville High School varsity football coach Randy Kuceyeski looks on as senior David Moosman signs his Letter of Intent to play football at the University of Michigan. Moosman was joined by teammates Jeff Fontana, who will play for Northern Illinois

University, and Matt Norcia, who will play at Wofford College.

SIDELINES

scoring with 5.5 points per game for the Braves, who are 11-8 overall on the season. She's also chipping in with 2.6 boards per game,

Illinois Wesleyan sophomore Ben
Polite (Libertyville) had a record-setting
day at the Titan Diving Invitational, held on
Feb. 5 at IWU's Fort Natatorium. Polite won
the 1-meter event with a score of 455.75
points, setting both school and pool
records, as well as making an NCAA
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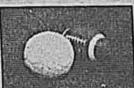
At the recent Midwest Invitational at

Monmouth College, Augustana junior **Sarah Kwasigroch (Carmel)** placed fifth in the 600-meter run in 1:54.32. She was also part of the 3200-meter relay team that set a seasonlow time of 10:25.29 at a meet in Oshkosh, Wis. in January.

A couple of former standouts are also making the grade at the collegiate level as Western Illinois University sophomore cross country runner Amber Hussain (Round Lake) was named to the Mid-Continent Conference Academic All-Conference team and Northwestern University senior baseball player Jon Mikrut (Carmel) was named to the Dean's List.

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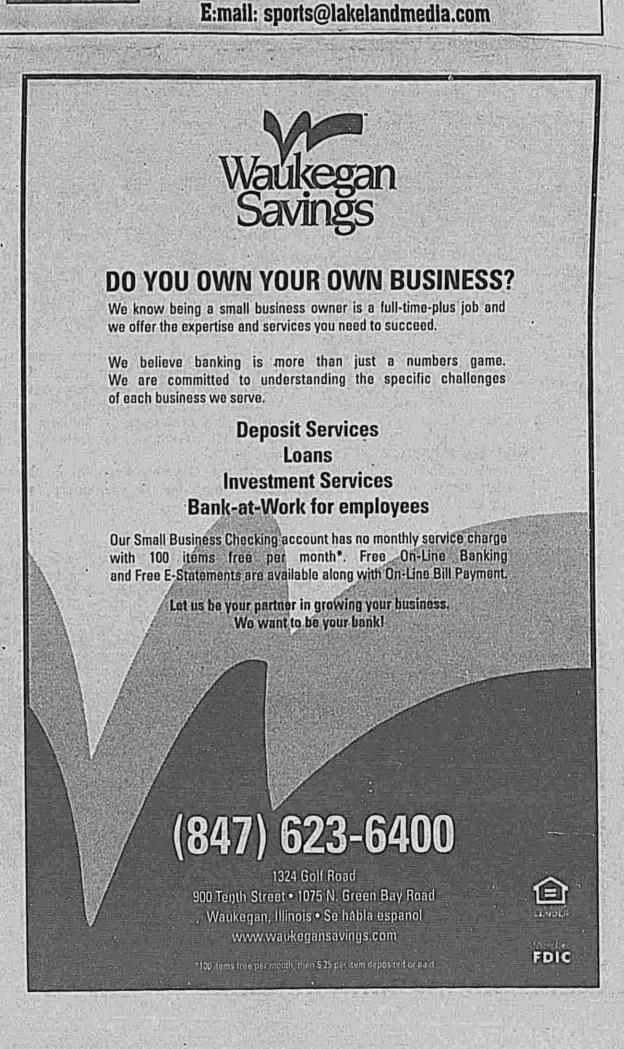
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We just had a hard time putting the ball in the basket, but a lot of that goes to Warren's defense."

> Don Zeman Antioch girls' basketball coach





Sequoits' offensive woes continue

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

t was almost a carbon copy of last month's game when Antioch's girls hoops team hooked up with Warren last Saturday. The Sequoits were able to hang with the Devils in the first half, before a second-half surge pushed Warren to an easy 58-27 victory.

Antioch actually held an early lead as Loren Scarbrough opened the game with a layup. And when Gina Florian hit a basket with 15.2 seconds left in the opening quarter, the Sequoits trailed just 13-7.

The team stayed close in the second quarter as well, with Holly Roberts connecting on a pair of baskets to cut the Warren lead to 25-17 with 2:20 left in the first half.

"We made up our mind early to go inside at (Sarah) Boothe and make her play defense," Antioch coach Don Zeman said. "And it was working for us."

Warren closed out the quarter with a 6-0 run, going into halftime with a 31-17 lead. And it was just the beginning for the Devils, who opened the second half with a 21-0 run, outscoring Antioch 22-2 in the third quarter and taking a 53-19 lead.

"They really hammered us in the third quarter," Zeman said. "I was disappointed we didn't do better in the third quarter this time around. We didn't have the same kind of intensity that we had early."

Megan McCarthy led Antioch with just six points, as the Sequoits shot 11 of 39 from the field (28 percent).

"We just had a hard time putting the ball in the basket, but a lot of that goes to Warren's defense," Zeman said.

The Sequoits went through much of the same the previous night against Mundelein, losing 43-24. Antioch shot just 7 of 54 from the field in the game for 13 percent.

Florian had seven points to lead Antioch, which fell to 1-9 in the Lake Division with the

"We just couldn't buy a basket," Zeman said. "We were getting shot opportunities, but no one was able to get hot."

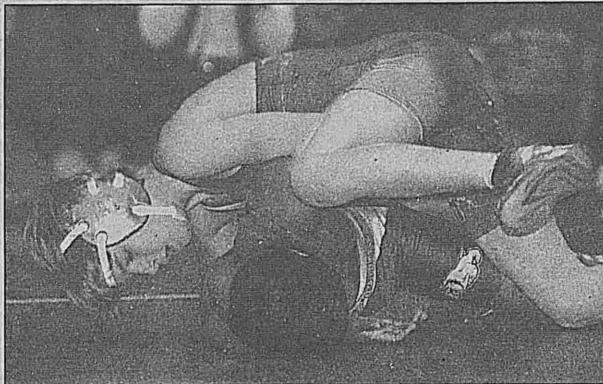
Antioch also fell Tuesday night, losing to Zion-Benton 56-31. Ashley Fain led the Sequoits with nine points. The loss dropped Antioch's record to 7-19 on the season.

"I feel bad for the girls when we go through these stretches," Zeman said. "They're putting in a full effort, we're just not good enough shooters on a consistent

The Sequoits close out the regular season with a home NSC crossover against Grant on Friday at 7:30 p.m.

BOYS BASKETBALL

With both teams exploding for 21 points apiece in a high-scoring fourth quarter, Antioch managed to come out on top over



Rob Lindstrom, from Antioch High School, works Waukegan High School's Jacob McCallester down to the mat, to win the match 17-0. With the win Lindstrom won third place in the 103 pound weight class in the Fox Lake Regional Tournament.

Vernon Hills, winning 48-43.

Sean Hertz carried the load in the fourth quarter, scoring nine of his 11 points. Chuck Kempf led the Sequoits with 13 points, while leading scorer Chandler Kent scored seven while battling a cold.

The win improved the Sequoits' record to 5-16 overall, with a game at NSC Lake rival Libertyville awaiting Friday at 7:30

WRESTLING

Rob Lindstrom was in a group of promising freshman who reported to ACHS wrestling practice back in November.

He had a steady season at 103 pounds, spending some time with both the freshman and varsity squads.

'Rob (Lindstrom) did a great job. I am really happy for him. With only three seniors on the team, we rely on the young guys.'

Wilbur Borrero ACHS wrestling coach

"It took a little getting used to, an adjustment to the varsity, from junior high," Lindstrom said.

The former Antioch Upper Grade School wrestler has done just that, taking third place at the Grant Regional 103-pound

ACHS is a young team, noted coach Wilbur Borrero. He likes what he sees for the future.

"Rob did a great job. I am really happy for him. With only three seniors on the team, we rely on the young guys," Borrero said.

Lindstrom won by technical fall over Jacob McCallister of Waukegan, 17-0. Lindstrom has a 10-9 record. The third-place matches are pressure-packed, as the winner goes to the sectional next week but the loser's season ends.

Junior Nick Ward also qualified for the Sequoits for the Feb. 11-12 Barrington sectional individual meet. He beat Mike Nixon of Grant in a fall for third at 189.

Tyler Hall, a sophomore, took third at 275,

beating Marvin Matras of Grayslake 1-0. Senior Ryan Cashmore (215) lost a close battle for third to Dennis Walsh of Waukegan 8-2.

FOOTBALL

Antioch running back Nick Nathan committed to Truman State University in Kirksville, Mo. last week. As a junior, Nathan made few headlines, despite being named team MVP, although he was Lakeland's 2003 Unsung Hero.

This season it was hard to ignore Nathan as he racked up school records with 1,833 yards rushing and 23 touchdowns in helping Antioch to a 5-0 start and the school's first playoff win since 1985, making Lakeland's first-team offense in the process. His big moment came in week two, when he gained 252 yards on 10 carries and four scores in the first half, on his way to 366 yards and six touchdowns in a win over Elgin Larkin.

His rushing total this season was also a Lake County single-season record.

計 **Gina Florian**

hile a basketball court could never be properly called a pitch, as in soccer, Antioch senior Gina Florian can't help but have soccer on her mind when she suits up for the Sequoits. An All-North Suburban Conference

selection in soccer last season, Florian has a unique approach to playing defense for the Sequoits. "She always talks about marking

an opponent instead of guarding her,' Antioch coach Don Zeman said. "She definitely has a nose for the ball and sees the court like a soccer player."

Florian acknowledges the soccer background helps her defense, saying:
"I've always been able to anticipate where the ball is going. I'm able to read my opponent."

That unique approach has helped Florian become the best defender on the team and one of the best in the area.
"She leads the team in steals and

"She leads the team in steals and in what we call 'touches,'" Zeman said. "She's always applying pressure and getting her hands on the ball. She's really able to disrupt the opponents'

"I know I'm not an offensive star, defense," Florian said. "I love the rush you get on a good stop or a steal." Although she doesn't light up the

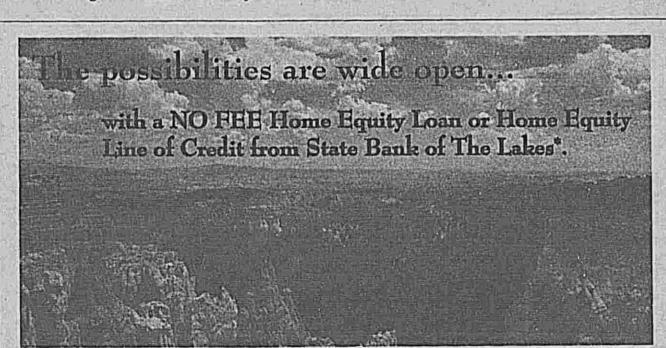
scoreboard, Florian also contributes in another much-needed area for the Sequoits-leadership.

"She's one of our co-captains (Loren Scarbrough is the other) and she really takes that responsibility seriously," Zeman said. "She leads vocally and by example."

Since she wants to coach in the future, Florian has taken the task of being a leader head on.

"Even though we don't have a let

"Even though we don't have a lot of wins, I try to get the girls focused on the positive," Florian said. "We play some of the best teams in the state, so wins aren't always going to be there.
So I just try to get them to see what they did well."-By Rob Backus



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GARMEL

We're getting there, but we're still trying to improve the difficulty so we can compete with the top three teams in the state.'

Sarah Holcomb Carmel girls' gymnastics coach





Corsairs dominate in gymnastics regional

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

armel had an extremely good weekend on the gymnastics front, as they won the IHSA Regional with a total score of 146.5. Carmel's nearest competition, the Lake Forest Scouts, finished the meet with a score of 140.575.

The Corsairs were dominant throughout the meet with Carmel gymnasts winning all four of the individual events. Laura Valkman won the meet in the overall competition with a final score of 37.7 while teammate Danni Doll finished in second place with a 36,775 mark.

Despite Carmel's presence during the meet, coach Sarah Holcomb said there was still room for improvement in the Corsairs' game. One of Holcomb's focuses going into sectional competition will be creating more difficult routines in order to take Carmel's game into the next level.

"We did have a great team performance, but we did have some errors on the floor and the beam it was not near our best performance," Holcomb said. "We're getting there, but we're still trying to improve the difficulty so we can compete with the top three teams in the state."

Holcomb said her team's overpowering presence in the regional was expected. As for Valkman, Holcomb couldn't be happier with the junior's performance in the meet.

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"I wasn't really surprised with the results, but for Laura Valkman, this was the best meet I've ever seen her have," Holcomb said. "She was extremely competitive and she had an unbelievable performance. She is also the top all-arounder going into the sectional meet and we're very proud of her for that."

Valkman wasn't the only one coach Holcomb praised, as Doll got some love for her big win in the uneven bar events. Doll is also peaking at just the right time as her high school career will soon come to a close, regardless of how far the Carmel team goes.

"Laura Valkman was the MVP of the meet, but Danni Doll is the consistent, unsung hero," Holcomb said. "Danni is always so solid and consistent, she was second all-around at the meet and she was the winner in the uneven bar event. She's our only varsity outgoing senior, great work ethic, great attitude, but it would be great to see with some kind of team."

Carmel worked in degrees of superiority with at least two gymnasts finishing in the top five of every individual event at the meet. The Corsairs were the most dominant in the uneven bars competition as they took home



Photo by John Dickson

Carmel senior Jenny Eckhart works past the opposition, bringing the ball to the hoop during a game against Bishop McNamara High School. Eckhart scored 50 points in a pair of wins last weekend.

the top four spots. Doll won with a score of 9.125 while Valkman, MaryAnn Oehlerking and Sam Sokup rounded out the top four spots.

The team also had a good day in the vault competition as Carmel took the top three spots in the event. Corsair Caylee McGrath won with a score of 9.575 while Valkman and Sokup finished out the top three in the com-

The floor competition was all brown and

gold with Valkman, McGrath and Doll taking the top spots with 9.5, 9.3 and 9.225 scores, respectively. The balance beam was the only event Carmel didn't control. However, a Corsair still took home the victory as Valkman won the event with a 9.5 mark while Doll finished in fourth place with a respectable 9.25

Holcomb foresees a tough road ahead of her Corsair squad, but if everything goes to plan, 2005 will prove to be a good year for the Carmel gymnastics program.

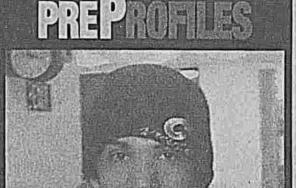
"It's going to be tight for the top five teams in the state," Holcomb said. "The best teams also have exceptional difficulty, and to compete with teams like that, we're going to have to really stick our landings and make everything perfect. We're going for a win on Thursday against Warren. We have very similar difficulty levels and it should be a really great meet."

WRESTLING

Carmel had an extremely lucrative day last Saturday in the varsity wrestling regionals in Libertyville. In total, five Corsairs will be advancing to the sectional level including two overall winners for coach Joe Scordino's squad. Carmel finished in fourth place during the meet with 110 points, just missing a top three finish as the Mundelein Mustangs beat out the Corsairs by one point.

Junior 160-pounder Andrew Federer and senior 189-pounder Bernie Vasquez both won their respective weight classes as Federer overpowered Stevenson senior Jered Woodward to improve to 32-4 on the season while Vasquez beat Wauconda senior Andrew Baker to get to 28-3. Federer and Vasquez weren't the only ones celebrating as there were numerous Corsairs who will also get the chance to wrestle in the sectionals.

Facing elimination, three Corsairs made the cut by finishing third in their weight classes. Sophomore D.J. Fairfield got in the 112, senior Mike Berrones got in the 135 and freshman Ryan Williams got in the 152-pound weight class.



Bernie Vasquez

armel senior Bernie Vasquez is a winner, and if you've got any doubt, just look at the results as the Corsair racked up a 28-3 record and he's just added a regional championship in the 215-pound weight class to his resume.

He's one of the best in the region now, but it wasn't always that way. Wrestling only became a part of Vasquez's repertoire simply as a supplement to his football career. However, after he began wrestling, football soon took a backseat to what was supposed to be the secondary

sport.

"Originally, I got into wrestling because of football," Vasquez said. "I thought it would help out my game, but I stayed with it because I like the competition and just going out there to wrestle and beat on somebody is so much fun. I've left football behind because I like wrestling so much more."

As with most wrestlers, Vasquez enjoys his lack of teammates on the mat. Self-reliance is a big part of any wrestler's playbook, and Vasquez has it in spades. While football provided Vasquez with an ample amount of hitting for his taste, it didn't provide enough of himself.

"I liked football, but when you're wrestling, it's just man-on-man, nobody's going to help you," Vasquez said. "You're just by yourself and you're fighting to stay alive."

The sport plays a major part in the senior's life at all hours of the day. By his estimation, if there was a window into Vasquez's head during the day, one might see only takedowns and armbars as opposed to the normal concerns of the teenage mind.

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"It's pretty big right now, I think about wrestling a lot during my day,"

Vasquez said. "Most of the day, I just think about what I can do to make myself better for the state tournament."-By Dan Patrick

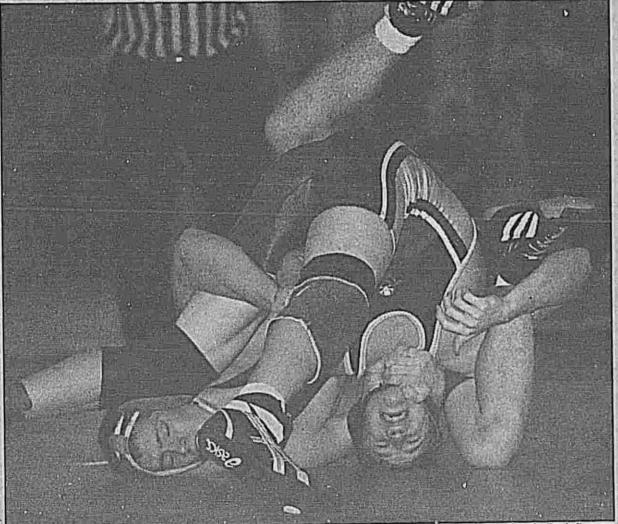
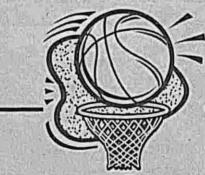


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Carmel High School's Andrew Federer is turned upside down into a cradle position attempt during a match against Wauconda's John Champion during the IHSA Individual Regional Wrestling Tournament at Libertyville High School.



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Teamwork won it for us tonight. This is so great."

Becka Gonyo Grant girls' basketball player

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Host Bulldogs take regional title

By Steve Peterson

Sports Reporter

ne wrestling fan noted thatIzzy Montemayor could be a name fans should remember for three more years. Montemayor, a Grant High freshman, started the final round for Grant by winning his weight class at 112 pounds, pulling out a 4-3 win over Warren's Jon Gonzalez in the title match. It came down to the final seconds before the Grant freshmen earned the final points.

That determination, from a newcomer freshman to seasoned veterans like Daniel Dennis, Jimmy Kennedy, Eric Horvath, Joe Barczak and John Deneen, allowed Grant to dominate its own regional with 223.5 points. The title earned another regional win as the dynasty continued for Grant.

The Bulldogs now advance to the team sectional, as well as sending 12 wrestlers to the individual sectional Feb. 11-12 at Barrington.

Grant and Warren (202.5 points) advanced out of the regional to the team sectional series. Grant made it to the quarterfinals last year.

"I just really try hard. It feels pretty good. Joel (my brother) taught me a great deal," Montemayor said.

"Izzy has had an up-and-down season, but he has made steady progress. Gonzalez is a tough kid. Izzy wrestled smart. Temple wrestled very smart to get that first period pin. Horvath (171) is coming on strong. Winning conference was a big confidence booster. With Joe (Barczak), we would like to get him to be more offensive," Grant coach Ryan Geist said.

Dennis, a senior, not only won his weight class at 130, but topped the 40-win total and gave a good analysis of how the team fared

before a huge crowd Saturday. "It was really fun. The crowd was into it. We're all stepping up. Izzy Montemeyor did great. He's as tough as nails. He wrestled awe-

some at the end," Dennis said. On his final match, Dennis said how he won by a technical fall 28-10 over Brennan Drew of Warren: "I just tried to take what he game me. It's been real intense."

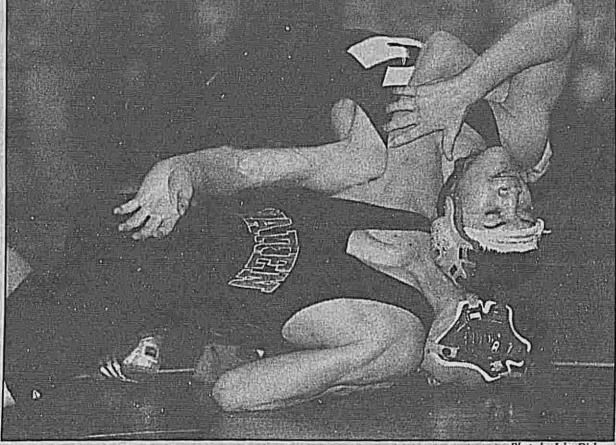
Barczak (36-4) edged out Josh Terrell of

Round Lake 5-3 in his final. "It feels good. I have been practicing at 152, where I am state certified. I ran two miles today. Being fourth in the sectional last year, losing to Jeff Keske of Libertyville 6-1, gives me

motivation," he said. Lucky Ferguson (third at 135, 21-16) and Joel Montemayor, a junior, third at 145, 27-15, both took thirds in walkovers. "Lucky and Joel

were our unsung heroes," Geist said. Mike Nixon took fourth at 189. One of the more interesting finals of the day pitted Kennedy, unbeaten for Grant and Dane Lund of Grayslake in the finals at 119. The two have been going at it on the mat for seven years now. "We know each other so well.

Dane is a quality opponent," Kennedy said. Kennedy, the state champ last year at 103, received a standing ovation after his finals win.



Grant High School's Izzy Montemayor, bends over backwards against Jon Gonzales, from Warren. Montemayor won the match 4-3, earning the title of 2005 Champion in the 112-pound weight class in the Fox Lake Regional Tournament.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

No wonder the band played Survivor's "Eye of the Tiger" after the Grant-Zion clash for the NSC Prairie Division title in girls bas-

It may not have been the most well-played games on offense, but when it comes to determination, defense and rebounding, Grant High's girls basketball team was not to be

The Bulldogs outplayed Zion-Benton down the stretch to emerge with a 36-29 win and a division title, their second in three years. The win was also significant in that it gave the team 20 wins, a 20-6 mark heading into a NSC showdown title game at Warren.

"Teamwork won it for us tonight," said leading rebounder Becka Gonyo. "This is so great."

The Bulldogs kept Zion-Benton star Lacey Simpson (14 points) in check, sending different people to guard her. "It was awesome," said Grant's Cassie Newton (8 points).

"I am just really happy what we did here. Rebounding was key. Becka had a ton of rebounds," said GCHS coach Tom Oeffling.

Ashley Arff scored 13 points, off a backdoor cut and pass on a key three-pointer, and Kaela Munster drove to the basket for another key fourth-quarter hoop.
"We wanted it more. This year is the clos-

est team that we have been. First volleyball (a regional and division title) and now this," said senior Danielle Eiler.

"It just felt right, so I took it," Munster said. "We have four more to go, hopefully. We just wanted to be aggressive against them on defense."

Eiler pointed to a turnaround in the season's goals after a 4-4 start. They are 16-2 since.

"We got Kaela back, had a team meeting, we decided that to get the job done, to play as a team and work it out and forget about our differences and play as a team," Eiler said.

The contest resembled more of a football game, with the early-fall like weather outside. Grant clung to a 16-14 halftime lead, as rebounding saved the half.

"They were trying to always go for the pass. We tried more bounce passes. It feels great, unexplainable," said guard Lauren Liles.

A leaner by Simpson with 5:45 left gave Zion-Benton (19-7, 8-2) a one-point deficit. But then Liles hit two free throws to give Grant a greater than one-point lead for good with 5:28 left.

Gonyo came up with a key steal and Arff aided Gonyo in the rebounds with three to keep the Zee-Bees at bay. A basket by junior Arff gave Grant a 31-27 lead. Newton and Munster both hit two free throws each around the 1:59 mark. Grant had a series of turnovers, but Zion could not capitalize, not scoring for the final 2:08 of the game.

Grant, a perfect 10-0 in division play, then heads to Gurnee, with a shot at a league title on the line. Grant lost to Lake Forest in the NSC title game two years ago.

Grant beat a second-seeded Johnsburg team earlier in the week. Grant, the sixth seed in the Lake Zurich sectional, is at the Antioch Regional, facing Antioch in the second game Feb. 15. Winners clash for the regional title on Feb. 17.

Kaela Munster

ompetitiveness comes naturally if you are a youngster growing up in the Munster household. Whether it be soccer, judo, wrestling, basketball, or track and field, a love of the game and 110-percent effort is required. For Dave, Kaela, Trista and Lee, every day is game day.

Kaela Munster, a senior Grant High basketball player, did not let a knee injury suffered in one of the first summer league games stop her. She is a driving force as Grant has won.20 games this year, getting a chance at the NSC title game and readying for the Antioch Regional on Feb. 15. "She is really a dedicated, deter-mined player. She wants to be the best

all the time. She has high expectations for herself and her teammates. I have a lot of respect for her," said GCHS coach Tom Oeffling.

Munster recalls how the injury happened.

"It was the second game of the summer season. I made a cut and just fell down on someone, then the doctor said I would need surgery," Munster.

She worked on her rehab at Health South, quickly getting back into playing condition. How quickly? She estimates about two and one-half months quicker than early diagnosis.

Although not always a high scorer, she does have that ability. She scored 19 points in Grant's key win over North Chicago and 17 in an earlier doubleovertime win at Zion-Benton. Munster scored eight points as Grant beat Zion-Benton to wrap up the Prairie Division 36-29 before 1,200 fans Friday. The 20-6 Bulldogs use Munster's talent at both ends of the floor.

"She loves to play basketball. She knows basketball; she gets it. She can play the one to four positions," Oeffling said.-By Steve Peterson



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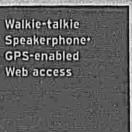
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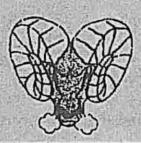
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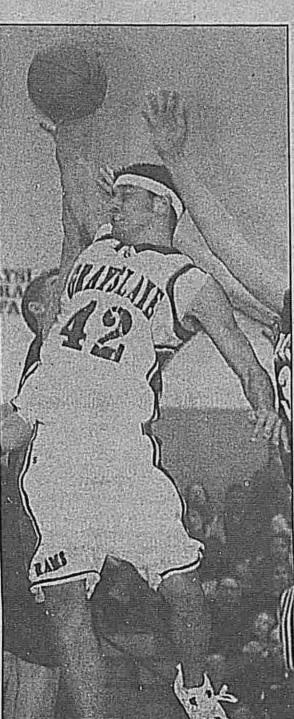
Tim Bowen

Grayslake boys' hoops coach.





Centella leads Rams past Cary-Grove



Grayslake senior Brian Centella reaches for a rebound during a contest against the Cary-Grove Trojans. Centella scored a career-high 31 points in the win.

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

fter the game, Grayslake senior Brian Centella couldn't even explain it. He'd just gone off for a career-high 31 points as the Rams topped Cary-Grove 59-47, but all Centella could say was, "I was just feeling it tonight."

Centella connected on 10 of 20 shots from the field, also adding five steals and three boards as Grayslake won its third straight contest.

"He had a great game," Grayslake coach

Tim Bowen said.

The same could not be said about the Rams, at least not early on. Cary-Grove jumped out to a 7-2 lead before Centella took his defender off the dribble and made a layup. With three seconds left in the opening quarter, Centella nailed his only trey of the game as Grayslake took a 12-9 lead into the second

That's when the defense started stepping up, holding the Trojans to just one secondquarter field goal as the Rams outscored Cary 17-10 in the quarter, taking a 29-19 lead at halftime.

"I wasn't very happy with the first quarter," Bowen said. "We didn't have any stops early, but then we took a timeout and the players decided to play a little better defense. The kids were doing a nice job in the passing lanes and getting to cutters."

Junior Elias Washington was also instrumental in the quarter, scoring six of his 15 points.

"We knew we needed to come out strong in the quarter," said Washington, who also had six rebounds. "We needed a spark from Brian and when he gets a spark it gives me a spark."

Grayslake needed another spark late in the third quarter after three free throws shrunk their lead to just 38-32. Then Travis Guy (9 points, 5 steals) had a basket, with Centella following with a three-point play 20 seconds later to put the lead back up to 11 going into the fourth quarter.

The Rams were able to maintain the lead in the fourth quarter, never leading by less than nine the rest of the way.

The win was Grayslake's third straight, coming on the heels of a recent two-game

"It feels good to be winning again," Centella said. "We lost a couple tough ones, so

it feels good to come back with three in a row." Heading down the stretch, the goals are

simple for Bowen and Co. "We just want to continue to play the way

we want to play," Bowen said. Another goal for the Rams is to stay healthy, which is especially important with the recent return of starting forward Doug

Hanson from an ankle injury. Up next for Grayslake (13-7, 3-2 FVC) is a home game against McHenry Feb. 12 at 7 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Just when Grayslake coach Mike Hirsch thought the team had conquered its battlewith inexperience, the same old problems popped up again last week.

With starting point guard Kelsey Reese hobbled with a sprained ankle, the Rams struggled in a 66-55 loss to Fox Valley Conference foe Woodstock last Saturday.

'It's frustrating, but I'm so impressed by these girls. They have a relentless attitude to get better.'

> Mike Hirsch Grayslake girls' hoops coach

"Kelsey being injured is a reflection of our lack of experience," Hirsch said. "When you lose your starting point guard you're in trouble.

Things just aren't going to run as smoothly."

Kara Ming led Grayslake with 17 points, while Rachael Manuel (11 points) and Kelly Washington (10) also chipped in solid effort. The loss dropped Grayslake's record to 6-19 overall and 5-3 in the FVC.

Despite the loss, which all but eliminated the Rams from the conference race, Hirsch remained upbeat.

"It's frustrating, but I'm so impressed by these girls," Hirsch said. "They have a relentless attitude to get better. We just have to get back to what we were doing a few games ago."

Up next for the Rams is a game at Dundee-Crown on Feb. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

WRESTLING

Surviving is the name of the game at regional wrestling time, and Grayslake did just that, as the Rams placed third at the Grant regional.

The Rams' Dane Lund battled Grant's Jim Kennedy for the upteenth time since the two were young wrestlers at 119. Kennedy, unbeaten and a state champ last year, won, 3-0, scoring all of his points in the third period.

They know each other so well, the matches are always low scoring," said Grayslake coach Steve Wood.

Wood said he knew his team's chances of cracking the top two, Grant and Warren, would be tough, as the Rams had 144.5 points for third.

Curran Allenstein (125), a junior, earned his spot at the sectional, with a second-place finish, losing by fall to John Deneen of Grant.

August Trexler (160) took third with a close 6-4 win over Rick Howell of Grant. Trexler has reached the .500 mark going into sectionals. Junior Matt Simon (171) battled Grant's

Eric Horvath before losing by a pin at 3:35. Eric Rhode, a senior battling an illness,

stuck it out to the finals, losing to Jaime Jacobo of Warren 8-3. 'Quedens wrestled well," Woods said of

senior David Quedens, a second-place finisher at 189 to Joe Baruffi of Warren.

The Barrington sectional qualifiers advance to the individual state finals Feb. 18-19 at University of Illinois.



Dave Lund, wrestling for Grayslake Community High School, tries to put Grant High School's Jimmy Kennedy to the mat. Kennedy went on to win the match, at the Fox Lake Regional Tournament, winning 3-0.



Elias Washington

oming off a string of disappoint-ing games at the team's holiday tournament in downstate Normal, Grayslake junior Elias

Washington was at a crossroads. The decision he faced could ultimately define his future for the Rams basketball team.

The decision was, did he want it bad enough?

Grayslake coach Tim Bowen knew Washington had the talent, which was behind his decision to bring him up last year as a sophomore. But, according to Bowen, the effort was often

lacking.

"I think he finally realized that he needed to work a little harder," Bowen said.

Now Washington has just one thing on his mind. "I need to play as hard as the time." he said:

I can all the time," he said: The transformation has been astounding, as Washington has turned into one of the main catalysts for the

Rams, who have won seven of their last nine games. 'He's started to work harder and good things have started to happen for him and for us," Bowen said.

In addition to his scoring, rebounding and his ability to block shots, asnington gives the Rams something they haven't had in the previous four years under Bowen-someone who can

play above the rim.
"I love to dunk," Washington said.
"It gets people into the game and I like doing that."

His defense has also improved

markedly of late, something the Rams need in order to be successful.

"My defense wasn't too good early in the season," Washington said. "But I've been working on it really hard in practice and it's starting to show up in

"He's been very consistent at both ends for us lately," Bowen said. "He's getting some confidence and some momentum for the end of the year."-By Rob Backus

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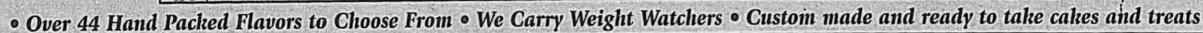


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> **Dale Eggert** Libertyville wrestling coach





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Libertyville comes away · with the close regional victory after 5 wrestlers take championships

By Matt Pera

Sports Reporter

ibertyville head wrestling coach Dale Eggert said his team has counted on its top wrestlers all season long due to a lack of depth.

And that method continued to reap success last Saturday, when Libertyville won its second straight regional championship 176-

167 over second-place Stevenson.

The Wildcats fielded five regional champs at the meet, with 112-pound junior Peter Mazzetta, 125-pound junior Ted Strychalski, 135-pound senior Dave Paramski, 140-pound senior Jeff Keske and 275-pound junior Jack Danilkowicz each taking their respective top

But it was no easy task, as the Patriots closely pursued Libertyville throughout much of the meet. After Stevenson junior Mike Aufmann won the 119-pound championship, the meet was tied.

But the Wildcats were just getting started, as they won three of the next four championship bouts to finally pull ahead of Stevenson. Junior 130-pounder Jon Henslee rounded out the four matches with a secondplace finish in his class.

The impressive run gave Libertyville a bit

more cushion to work with through the rest of the meet. When it was all said and done, the stretch proved to be enough for Libertyville to eventually come away with the overall victory.

While Libertyville beat Stevenson fairly easily in their North Suburban Conference Lake Division opener in November, Eggert says he wasn't surprised that the Patriots kept the score close in the regional.

"We got them pretty good (during the regular season)," he said. "But we knew when they got their guys together they would have a great team. We have some real good front-liners, but there are some spots where we do not score."

Three of those spots came up after Keske won his fourth-straight regional title at 140 pounds. The Wildcats did not field a top-four finisher at the 145, 152 or 160 pound weight classes.

Libertyville junior Vinnie Sapienza broke that trend when he took fourth place at 171 pounds. 189-pound senior Simon Bortz followed that up with a third-place finish.

The meet was tight throughout the day between the teams as individual matches were also decided by narrow margins. 103pound freshman Trey Ayala also had a strong outing for the Wildcats, finishing second to Stevenson senior Alex Rothfeld by a narrow 6-5 decision.

Libertyville wasn't the only school narrowly beating opponents. Mundelein and Carmel went through a doglight and finished third and fourth respectively with scores of 111 and 110 points. The third through fifth positions proved to be the most competitive with the three schools finishing within 12 points of one another, Lake Zurich (104), Wauconda (99), Vernon Hills (50) and Lake Forest (36) rounded out the meet's scoring.

Only one week before, the Wildcats finished a close second to Grant at the NSC Championship. While that loss was hard on the team, Eggert said the NSC decision provided little motivation at the regionals and his wrestlers simply did what needed to be done.

"I think they are just two separate meets," he explained. "I think we did alright in conference; Grant is tough. But then (the team) wanted to win regionals and they felt they were a good enough club to do it."

The regional win earned the Wildcats a trip to the team sectional Feb. 22 at Conant.

...the thing that makes that team (Wheeling) go is they've got a pretty decent guy at every weight...'

> Dale Eggert Libertyville wrestling coach

Libertyville will first take on Wheeling. Grant will wrestle Conant on the other side of the bracket and, if the Bulldogs and Wildcats win, a rematch could be in the works.

Before Libertyville can avenge their NSC loss, however, the team has to prepare for Wheeling. According to Eggert, any meet against Wheeling is one for the ages.

"They've got a couple front-liners, but the thing that makes that team go is they've got a pretty decent guy at every weight and that has gotten them where they are," Eggert said of the upcoming opponent. "We'll have to rely on good match-ups. We've done that all season."

The Wildcats will also send eight qualifiers to the individual sectional at Barrington this Friday and Saturday.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Win or lose, it seems that every game the Libertyville boys basketball team has played lately has gone down-to-the wire.

That was the case yet again last Friday, when the Wildcats defeated Downers Grove North 44-42,

The Trojans jumped out to an early 14-7 lead, but the Wildcats (8-12, 3-4) countered that with a 15-9 run in the second quarter.

Libertyville managed to hang on in the second half, holding Downers Grove North to just six points in the third quarter.

Junior forward Kyle Engstrom led the Wildcats with 13 points, while junior guard Matt Hogan chipped in 8.

Senior guard Anthony Jennings also notched seven points.

Libertyville will next host NSC Lake foe Antioch Friday night.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Libertyville girls basketball team lost a close game to NSC Lake opponent Lake Forest

Friday 38-33. Senior guard Samie Balmes led the Wildcats with 12 points, while senior forward Carolyn Kozak added 6.

Lake Forest was led by senior guard/forward Kristin Cartwright, who had 17 points.

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Dave Paramski

sk Libertyville senior 135-pound wrestler Dave Paramski if he is happy with his showing at the regional championship last weekend and you might be surprised at the response.

"I could have followed through on my shots a lot better," he said. "I was real happy but I think I could have per-formed a lot better."

Despite his modesty, Paramski pulled out a 5-4 championship win over Mundelein senior Will McDermott at the Libertyville Regional, raising his record to 36-1 on the year.

The senior is currently ranked 5th in the state heading into the individual sectional at Payrington this weekend

sectional at Barrington this weekend. He's come a long way over the past three seasons.

As a sophomore, Paramski split time between the varsity and JV teams, going 14-1 with JV squad while notching a 3-8 varsity record.

Last season, as a full time varsity wrestler, he went 32-10 with a sec-

ond-place showing at regionals.

He has raised his wrestling to yet another level this year with a 36-1 record. Libertyville head coach Dale

Eggert said Paramski success stems

from getting opponents down on the mat. "He's got some really good talent and he has a knack for putting the guys on their back," he said. "He's developed a lot of confidence in sticking guys on their backs in the top position. There are not very many matches were he doesn't get some back

points." Paramski added that he has also worked out a good deal with 140-

pound senior teammate Jeff Keske,
who may have similar record (35-1)
but wrestles in a different style.

"Keske's amazing on his feet and
I'm not, so I work with him a lot and I
really focus on my stance and keeping
my legs together," Paramski said.

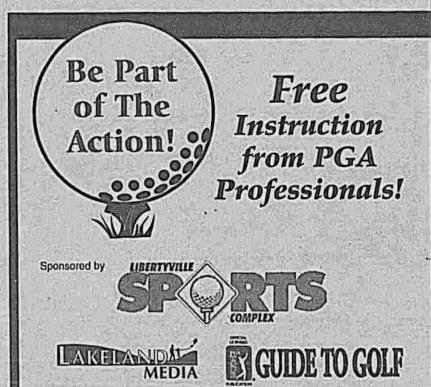
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Libertyville High School's Vinnie Sapienza is squashed by Stevenson's Jered Woodward in the second round of the 171-pound weight class during the IHSA Individual Regional Wrestling Tournament at Libertyville High School.

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Mustang grapplers finish 3rd at regionals

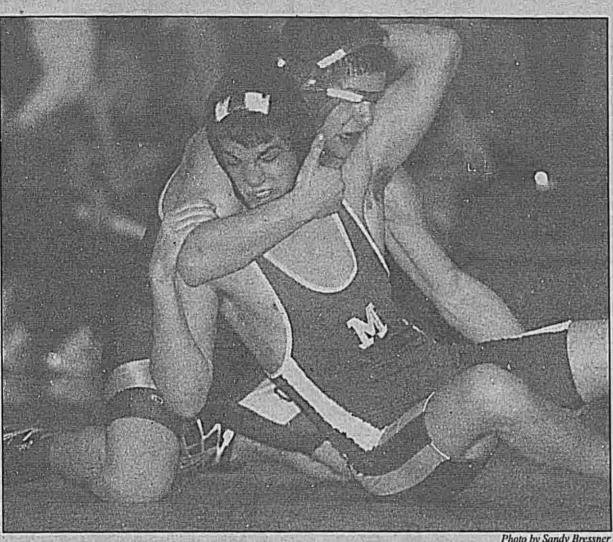


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Tom Buenik

Mundelein wrestling coach

Mundelein High School's Tom Rhind fights a choke hold from Vernon Hills High School's John Marshall in the second round of the 152-pound weight class during the IHSA Individual Regional Wrestling Tournament at Libertyville High School.

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

he Mundelein wrestling team had quite a lucrative weekend in the Libertyville regional meet, sending seven wrestlers to sectionals. Sophomore Nick Kainrath, juniors Joe Winberg, Jason Hensgen and Cesar Solorio and seniors Mike Avalos, Diego James and Will McDermott will now advance to sectional competition.

Mundelein coach Tom Buenik was pleased with his team's performance, particularly in Hensgen, who won the meet in the 145-pound weight class and Avalos, who took second in the 215-pound weight class. Hensgen has overcome some adversity this season in order to reach the success he enjoyed Saturday, but no one can argue with the results of the meet.

"Jason had a little bit of a rough year with a knee injury he sustained earlier in the season," Buenik said. "He had also pre-viously lost against his opponent, (Lake Zurich freshman Sam Wrobel) and to come back against him and get the win is just huge."

Buenik said the earlier loss against Hensgen's regional opponent might have actually helped the junior's performance.

'As long as he (Jason Hensgen)

the opportunity to go to state.'

keeps working hard, I think he has

"Whenever you lose to somebody, you

have some extra motivation because you

want to come back and beat him," Buenik

said. "Once you've got the confidence, then

Jason had the confidence and he got the

still a long road ahead of Hensgen until the

he has the opportunity to go to state," Buenik said. "One thing I told the kids was 'You've got

your ticket, now you've got to go out and do it.

Now you've got to see what you can do from

there,' and he's got the opportunity to go to

Mustangs making up for disappointing show-

ings during conference meets. Mundelein was

also stellar when it was all on the line, as the

The regional also proved to be a second wind for many wrestlers with numerous

state finals.

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you have a better chance of doing that.

Buenik believes in his junior but there is

"As long as he keeps working hard, I think

Mustangs were undefeated in third place matches.

"The one thing that we were focusing on was peaking at the right time," Buenik said. "We didn't have the best conference meet because guys like Cesar (Solorio) and Joe Winberg, Diego Jaimes never placed as high as they wanted to at conference. In third place matches where we were fighting for life, we were 4-0, and we were 5-2 in the last round and both of the losses were in double overtime."

Senior Mike Avalos also had a strong showing as he finished second in the 215-pound weight class. Avalos lost a hard-fought final match against Stevenson senior Jason Karpel, but Buenik said the 215-pounder might have a chance to get his revenge during the sectionals.

"(Karpel) is a guy Mike has wrestled before many times and they've each beaten each other," Buenik said. "I wouldn't be surprised if (Avalos) sees (Karpel) in sectionals, those two guys really have a rivalry going. To go into the double overtime tiebreaker, it depends on who wins the coin, and (Karpel) got it."

With a third place overall finish in the meet, the Mustangs fulfilled their coach's will to advance to the next level. Overall, Buenik was pleased with his team's showing in the meet.

"We had a clear focus that no matter what happens, we place in the top three," Buenik said. "We sent 12 guys to go wrestle, and seven advanced to sectionals and you can't ask for much more than that."

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Mundelein continued its four-game tear to improve to 20-8 on the season in a big 52-16 victory over the Round Lake Panthers Tuesday night. Mundelein was in control throughout the game, as the Mustangs were able to put the defensive clamps down on the Panthers by limiting their production to only seven first half points. During the same stretch, the Mustangs put up 25 points to cruise to the easy victory.

Tuesday night's game also marked the end of an era for seven Mundelein players as the Mustangs celebrated Senior Night. Seniors Kelly Mitchell, Ashley Cretacci, Caroline Laird, Martha Panameno, Sarah Miller, Beth Rosendahl and Nicole Olerich played in front of the Mustang faithful for the last time.

In Friday's game, Mundelein rolled over Antioch 43-24 in a big conference victory. In that game, Cretacci led the way with 18 points and eight rebounds. Both wins have come in the absence of Miller who sustained an ankle injury last Tuesday. against Stevenson. However, the team remains undefeated during the stretch and Miller should be able to return to action for next week's regional match-up at Libertyville.

Joe Zavatsky

undelein senior wrestler Joe Zavatsky wrestles as a means to an end. That end, to stay in shape and keep his 189-pound frame ready for the gridiron in the fall. While his high school career may be over, both wrestling and football play a big part in Zavatsky's life.

Zavatsky's wrestling career really didn't start on any true love for the sport. Rather, his wrestling inspiration came from a lack of fulfilling activities

for the young man.
"I started in the sixth grade because there really wasn't anything else better to do in my school for people my age," Zavatsky said. "My focus is really with football, but for right now, I really am working hard on my

For some, wrestling is considered the truest sport due to both its fullbody high-contact nature and its manoe-mano gladiator-esque appeal. Zavatsky's relative love for the sport comes from knowing it's just two people ready to fight for victory out on the mat. The adrenaline rush of such a personal bout is one of the more alluring

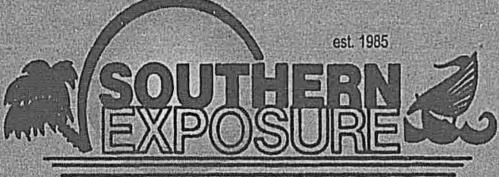
facets of wrestling.
"I like that it's one-on-one and I
like that it's so physical," Zavatsky said. "During the wrestling season, I really need to keep in shape. While I, will weight train more during football season, it's really important that I keep healthy during wrestling season."

Zavatsky's love of the gridiron makes itself obvious very quickly when one speaks with the young man. While his focus will remain on wrestling for

his focus will remain on wrestling for the time being, he will reap the bene-fits the next time he slips a football

helmet on.

"For football, wrestling really helps a lot because it really focuses on your balance and speed," Zavatsky said. "A lot of football players like me have to wrestle a lot because it makes them better on the field."-By Dan Patrick



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> **Mark Petrynek** Round Lake boys' basketball coach





Panthers fall to Stevenson, now 1-19

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

utmatched and shorthanded, the Round Lake Panthers turned in a relatively respectable performance against the heavily favored Stevenson Patriots Tuesday night. In the end, the results were the same as Stevenson suffocated the Panthers offense and cruised to a 52-35

Round Lake drops to 1-19 on the year while the Stevenson Patriots move to an impressive 14-6. While a 17-point loss is a tough pill to swallow for any team, Round Lake coach Mark Petrynek did see some bright spots within Round Lake's game. With only one win throughout the entire season, sometimes effort is all you can ask for from a squad and that's exactly what the Panther coaching staff got.

"Stevenson compared to us has an awfully admirable record and the score indicated that we played as tough as we could and we didn't give up," Petrynek said. "Normally by the third quarter, it's helter-skelter and here, the kids played with some composure and the kids tried to create something and they were looking for something. It just didn't click a lot of times."

The Panthers game was led by John Paulsen who carried the team with a respectable 16 points, including 12 points in the second half. Paulsen's game was reflective of the squad as a whole as Round Lake was only able to put up seven points in each of the first two quarters, but were much more potent in the latter half.

"I was sure he was going to give up because he gets frustrated sometimes, and today he played a little more inspired," Petrynek said. "He tried to carry the team a little bit at times, maybe too much, but he never gave up. He went bell to bell and that's what we need from John."

One of the major problems for the Round Lake squad was the lack of fresh bodies on the bench. Personnel issues have been a constant concern for the Panthers as the team has dwindled from a full roster in the beginning of the season down to an anemic eight players going into Tuesday's game. Everything from failing grades to health concerns have caused headaches for Petrynek and his squad.

"We're down to eight people for behav-ioral and academic reasons, this was a long day, but I've got my rules," Petrynek said. "We also haven't been able to get in a lot of good practices because we have such a short amount of people. We've also got guys playing out of position, and when you take people out of their comfort zone, it slows down their game."

The numbers game proved to be a big problem because it prevented the Panthers from practicing in a normal manner. According to Petrynek, everything from drills to full-court scrimmages were affected by the lack of bodies in the Round Lake locker room.

"When you're missing some key people and you don't practice during the week, it doesn't become second nature to a player like it should," Petrynek said. "When you've got a couple of absences, it's always one or two people missing, and our practices falter. We actually had one of our assistant coaches dress up and practice with the team so we could get a good practice in."

Personnel issues weren't the only concern for the Panthers as the Round Lake squad also had problems with shooting accuracy. Sometimes the ball gets the lucky roll, and other times, the ball refuses to go through the ring. For Petrynek's squad, it was lucky to see the ball hit the basket, let alone going in.

'We also couldn't buy a basket tonight, we really threw up some bricks," Petrynek said. "Our offense had some good spots, but over-all, the ball just was not falling for us."

The Round Lake boys squad will return to action Friday against the Zion-Benton Zee Bees and will then square off against Libertyville Saturday.

WRESTLING

The final round started well for Round Lake, as freshman Dillon Pousson built up an early lead and won his 103-pound final over Grant's Danny Deligio.

Pousson then watched as his older brother Derrick took the tougher route to the Barrington sectional, winning third place at

The Barrington Individual sectional is Feb. 11-12. Round Lake finished the Grant regional in fourth place, with an even 100

'Derrick (Pousson) did a great job coming back and Dillon (Pousson) will be real tough at sectional."

> John Jobst Round Lake High School wrestling coach

"Derrick was nervous in his third-place match, as he was disappointed after his semi-final match," Dillon said. "It feels great, I wanted to get the first two to three points for the momentum," Dillon said of his title match.

Derrick Pousson beat Jerry Baumgartner of Grayslake 7-0 for third place.

The Panthers also qualified Josh Terrell at 152 pounds (28-7) as he took second place to Grant's Joe Barczak.

Also gaining runner-up honors was Ryan Barnard, who lost in a fall to Grant's Toby Temple at 140. Barnard takes a 26-9 record to Barrington.

Some Panthers had the tough luck of finishing in fourth, one spot out of a trip to Barrington. One was Anthony Whiteside at 125. Another was felled by an injury.

"I'm disappointed. Scott Pocasangre (145) re-injured the same knee that he hurt in football season. He had been a three-time sectional qualifier. Derrick did a great job coming back and Dillon will be real tough at sectional," said coach John Jobst.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Round Lake Panther head coach Gary Edge has probably had just about enough as his Panthers have now dropped to 1-26 and remain at a winless 0-11 in North Suburban Prairie Division games. The blue and gold have now dropped to those lowly levels after a hard 43-16 beating against the Vernon Hills Cougars last Friday and a 52-16 beating at the hands of the Mundelein Mustangs Tuesday.

The Panthers were controlled throughout Friday's contest as the Cougars held Round Lake to single-digit production in each of the quarters. In fact, the Panthers could only put up an anemic seven points in the entirety of the second half. Junior post player Sandrea Smith tried her best to carry the team and finished with half of the Panthers' total point output with eight points. Smith was relatively potent from the line as she hit four of six from the charity stripe. Senior guard Jenny Cordova was the next highest scorer with only three points, all gained in the first quarter.

In Tuesday night's game, it was more of the same for the ailing Cougars as Mundelein utterly controlled the contest and outscored Round Lake 25-7 in the first half alone.



John Paulsen

is team may be struggling, but John Paulsen is flying high. The young man poured in nearly half of his team's points during Tuesday's loss to Stevenson. If there's any secret to Paulsen's game, it's abject fanaticism.

"Basketball's everything right now, all I want to do is play basketball," Paulsen said. "I love playing, and I've been shooting basketballs since I was three years old and it goes back as long as I can remember."

For the source of the insanity, one can only say the apple doesn't fall far from the tree. Paulsen's father was a major influence on the young man and his lust for the orange ring.

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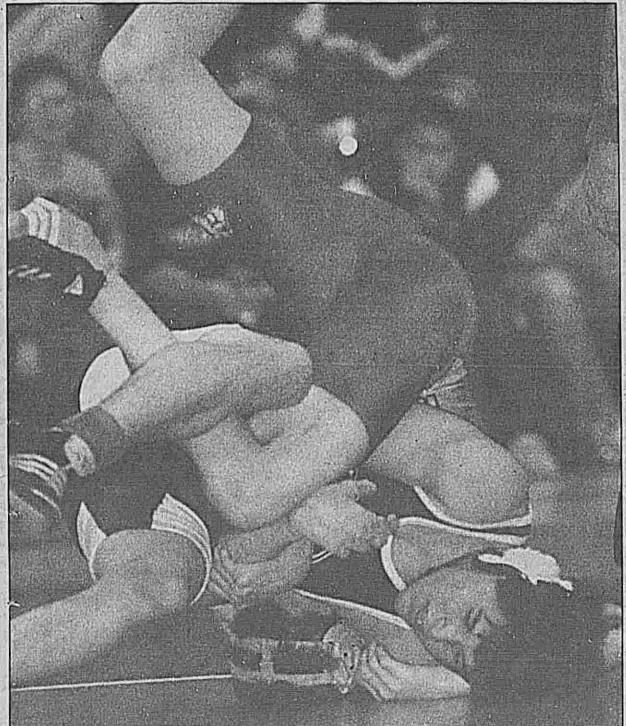
"My dad liked basketball a lot and one day he just started playing with me and I got hooked," Paulsen said. "I've been playing ever since then and I've always loved it."

No nonsense is the name of the game for the young forward. There's no-NBA superstars to model his game after, no moves to try and integrate, it's just Paulsen, the ball and the hard-

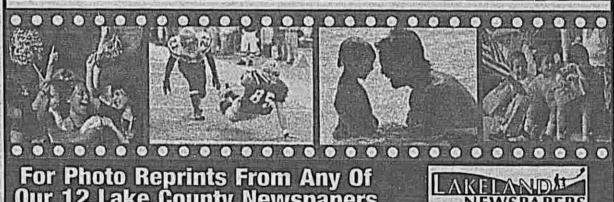
"I just try and do my best out there, I really don't try and idolize anybody," Paulsen said. "I just want to play my game and do the best I can."

While he may be crazy about the game, flashiness has also never been a focus for Paulsen as he'll easily forgo a show-stopping slam dunk for a simple textbook lay-up. For Paulsen, two points is just two points regardless of whether it's from the most basic jump shot or from a Jordan-esque, freethrow line slam.

"If I do it, I do it, if the opportunity comes to me, then I'll just dunk the ball," Paulsen said. "It's really not anything special to me, if it happens, it happens,"-By Dan Patrick



Dustin Pousson, wrestling for Round Lake High School, tries to regain control of the match against Waukegan's Todd Sorensen, during the Fox Lake Regional Tournament.



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'We're going to have to close the gap and really improve, we're going to do our long and short-term goals in a postseason meeting."

Jerry Miceli Vernon Hills wrestling coach





Cougar duo makes sectional cut

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

hough the team finished in the No. 7 spot with a final score of 50 points in the meet, Vernon Hills coach Jerry Miceli said his team matched his conservative expectations for sectional qualifiers with two, although he was hoping for at least two more wrestlers to make the

"We did okay, but I was a little disappointed for a couple of kids," Miceli said. "(Senior) Tom Rams wrestled a great opening match (against Carmel senior Mike Berrones) and then he loses two straight tough matches. He was a sectional qualifier last year and he worked his tail off, but he couldn't advance."

The big story for the Cougars during the meet was senior Gordon Scharf's big win. Scharf's meet victory places him at an impressive 32-4 mark on the season. While his wins already place Scharf among the area's best, the circumstances in which the senior won elevate his performance even more.

"At 171, I was expecting Scharf to win, but he's really been sick during the past week," Miceli said. "We've had a lot of guys go down with the flu, so we had him conserving energy by laying down in the offtime that he had. He did really well and I was happy for him to be able to overcome that and get the win."

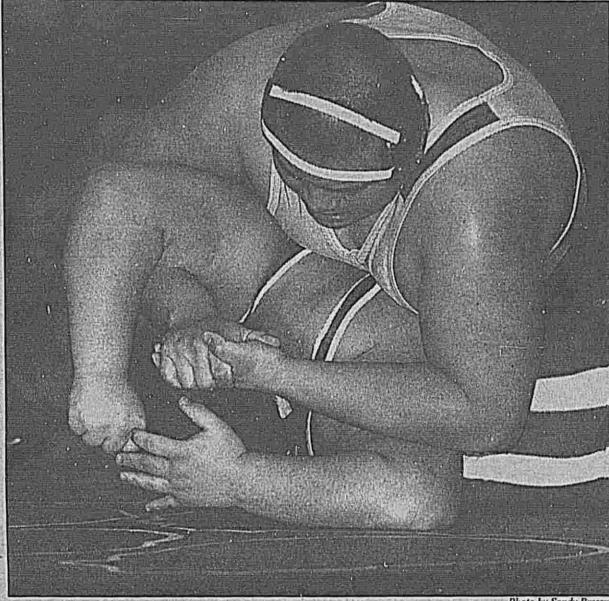
Scharf wasn't the only Cougar battling sickness as the entire team was forced to deal with flu symptoms last week. While the team had been given some time to recover, the sickness could not have come at a worse time.

"We've had our share of everybody coming down with the flu during the conference time and that really hurt us," Miceli said. "It's pretty late in the season and a lot of the kids' immune systems are down a little bit and we got hurt with sickness."

Senior 275-pounder Kwang Baek was the only other vernon Hills qualifier in the meet. as he finished second after a hard-fought loss to Libertyville junior Jack Danilkowicz. Baek now stands at 22-12 heading into sectional action.

"I was really happy with the way our heavyweight took second and advanced to sectionals," Miceli said. "I was really happy for him because he got a really low ranking during the conference meet, and then he just turned it on at the right time and now he's a first time sectional qualifier."

Vernon Hills chances for the 2005 season might be coming to a close, but Miceli has big hopes for next season. Cougar freshman Quantez Jackson could prove to be a blue chipper for Vernon Hills in the coming years as he barely missed the sectional cut.



Vernon Hills High School's Kwang Back battles Mundelein's Cesar Solorio in the second round of the 275-pound weight class during the IHSA Individual Regional Wrestling Tournament at Libertyville High School.

"We had a freshman at 160 and he took a fourth I was really happy with the way he wrestled," Miceli said. "If he works hard and does what we expect him to do, he should do well in the future for us."

The blueprint for future success in the Vernon Hills programs is practice and Miceli expects his team to work hard in the oif-season in order to better their game for the 2005-2006 campaign.

"We're going to have to close the gap and really improve, we're going to do our long and short-term goals in a postseason meeting," Miceli said. "Our guys are going to have to get their matches in during the springtime. We've already got some guys who worked hard in the springtime last year and it really paid off for them."

Overall, Miceli was pleased with the ability of the team to come together and get some wins during the regular season.

"I thought we did really well and the kids did really well for where they're at. I thought our younger kids really stepped up this season," Miceli said. "We did okay in the dual meets, we finished at 10-10, but we didn't

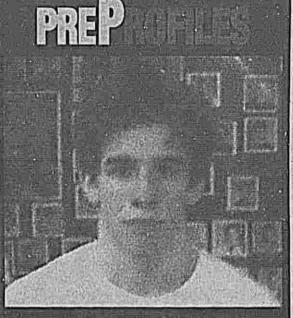
have any superstars. We just had a lot of guys who worked hard and did their jobs."

GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Vernon Hills Cougars got a big win in a North Suburban Prairie Division last Friday as they rolled over the Round Lake Panthers in a 43-16 victory. The Cougars improve to 5-23 on the year and 4-6 in conference action while the Panthers drop to 0-10 in conference games and 1-25 overall.

Laura Nardini and Stephanie Hebda led the way for Vernon Hills with 10 points apiece in the victory. Nardini also came away from the win with three rebounds and three assists while teammate Alyssa Wilson contributed an all-around game to the Cougar cause as she posted a four steal, three rebound and two assist performance Friday. Carrie Brandt also put up a notable performance as she fin-ished with two rebounds, two steals and one

Vernon Hills will now try and capitalize on the win as the team enters into the postseason next week.



Thomas Rams

or Vernon Hills senior Thomas Rams, wrestling is a way of life and he's honored it that way since he was in elementary school. However, Rams' foray into the wrestling came from circumstance and brotherly love. In fact, if Rams would have simply taken the bus home from school, he might not have wrestled a single match.

"When I started, my older brothers were both wrestling in the junior high program," Rams said. "I didn't usually have a ride home from school, so I'd end up watching them during practice. Their coach asked me if I wanted to join that year and I've loved it ever

While his brothers helped Rams get into wrestling, their influence didn't last long as both moved on from the sport. Even.without his brothers, wrestling remained the focus for Rams long after his first experience with it as an 11-year -old boy.

"We used to practice against each other, especially my oldest because we were more similar in size," Rams said. "After junior high, one tore out his knee and the other one got into lacrosse. I didn't have a lot of opportunities to wrestle with them, but it was fun."

Wrestling at the next level is not much of a concern for Rams at this time. However, with his love for the sport and the robust nature of his col-

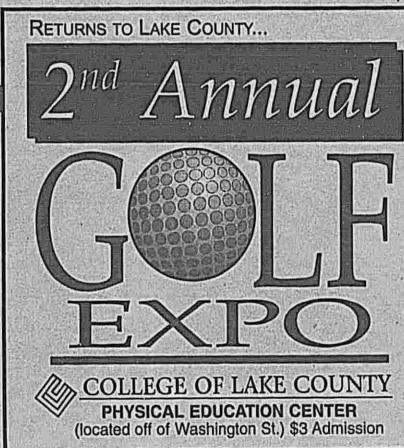
lege's programs, his fire for wrestling might just ignite yet again.

"The decision really depends on what my body tells me at the end of the season," Rams said. "As of right now, my body's getting pretty torn up, but I'm going to attend the University of Minnesota and their program is pret-ty strong, but I'm definitely going to look to wrestle at the intramural level."-By Dan Patrick

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> John Stanczykiewicz Warren girls hoops coach





Devils turn it up, win 2nd straight Lake title

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

n the cult classic "This is Spinal Tap," a segment of the movie was devoted to the band showing off their amplifiers. These custom-made amps had a special feature-they went to "11," meaning that when the band needed that extra kick, they turned the volume up that one extra notch.

Warren's girls hoops team is a lot like that. Sometimes they seem to be just cruising along, almost like they're dogging it. But as soon as they need to hit that extra gear, they turn it up to "11" and leave the opposition in the dust.

Such was the case last weekend in a pair of games against NSC Lake foes Antioch and Stevenson. On Friday, the Devils traveled to Lincolnshire to take on the Pats, never an easy proposition.

And for the first 16 minutes of the game, Stevenson looked primed for an upset, using different looks on defense to frustrate Warren. The Pats held the Devils without a field goal for the first 12 minutes of the contest, taking a double-digit lead early.

"It's never easy to play there so we knew we were in for a challenge," Warren coach "John Stanczykiewicz said. "And they were able to slow us down and some doubt crept in."

But the Devils made some halftime adjustments and removed all doubt with a solid second half, outscoring the Pats 29-20

and winning 45-38. Although T.K. LaFleur had just four points in the contest, Stanczykiewicz credited her ability to adjust to Stevenson's stifling defense as a difference in the game.

"She really handled their defense well," the coach said. "She didn't get frustrated and we didn't get frustrated as a team. We just stuck with our game plan."

That game plan included going inside to center Sarah Boothe, who scored a game-high 15 points to go along with eight rebounds.

"She gave (Stevenson) match-up problems and she and her teammates were able to take advantage of it," Stanczykiewicz said. "She just played smart and let the game come to her."

Jessica Bollinger was instrumental in getting the ball to Boothe, leading the Devils with five assists. She also scored eight points as Warren clinched the Lake title with the win.

The next day was a classic "trap" game for the Devils. They could have mailed it in against Antioch while looking ahead to the NSC title game against Grant on Wednesday. But Stanczykiewicz wasn't about to let that

"Coach told us we couldn't come out sluggish," Boothe said. "It was still an important game to win."

While Warren didn't exactly come out sluggish against the Sequoits, they weren't exactly dominant either, holding just a 13-7 lead after the opening quarter.

With the Devils up 25-17 with two minutes left in the first half, LaFleur hauled down a rebound then raced the length of the floor, ignoring an Antioch foul and making a shot. The subsequent free throw gave LaFleur her 11th first-half point and gave the Devils a 28-17 lead. Liz Blaz closed out the first half with a three-pointer as Warren took a 31-17 lead into the locker room.

"I just wanted to come out and do what I couldn't do last night," said LaFleur, who finished with a game-high 16 points, along with five boards, four assists and four steals.

Although Warren held a double-digit lead, the Devils weren't entirely comfortable and decided to turn it up a notch in the second half and, boy, did they ever. With baskets from Leach, Boothe (10 points, 8 boards), LaFleur, Bollinger and Paula Neiweem, Warren opened the second half with a 21-0 run, taking a 53-19 lead into the fourth quarter.

"Coach told us at halftime not to let them back in the game, and we were able to play good defense to pull away," LaFleur said.

"We just had the tempo the way we wanted it," Stanczykiewicz said. "We were able to run the floor and it gave girls like T.K. and Jessica a chance to make plays in transition."

The win improved Warren's record to 22-4 overall and 9-1 in the Lake division. Up next for the Devils is a game at Elk Grove Feb. 8.

WRESTLING

The capacity crowd had thinned by this time on Saturday, but the match was impor-

"I was looking forward to facing him, because I was out due to the weight loss rule when we faced them before," said Warren heavyweight Jon Gialds.

Gialds was referring to his battle in the Grant Regional wrestling tournament with Joe Leccesi in the finals. Gialds won by fall in 1:29 in the battle of 38-win wrestlers. Gialds is 22-5 with 16 pins heading into sec-

He was one of three straight WTHS wrestlers to end the regional by winning their brackets. Warren took the second spot in the team standings and a bid in the IHSA team sectional with 202.5 points. Grant won the meet with 223.5 points.

"It is absolutely a motivating factor. We have all worked so hard now, we want to keep it going," Gialds said.

The individual sectionals are Feb. 11-12 at Barrington. "The key in the sectional is always to win the first one," WTHS coach Mark Tiffany said.

Tiffany was pleased with his team's second place finish and sending 10 wrestlers to

Joey Baruffi (215) topped Grayslake's David Quedens in the final by fall, in a slightly longer 2:48. Baruffi is 19-4 with 14 pins. Jaime Jacobo (189) beat Grayslake's Eric Rhode 8-3 for a 25-2 record and has 19 pins.

"Jon is wrestling so well. He thought that he should be seeded No. 1, but he wasn't, so he had something to prove," Tiffany said of Gialds. "Baruffi and Jacobo are just on a roll."

Sophomore 112-pounder Jon Gonzalez (26-7, 11 pins) lost a close 4-3 decision to Izzy Montemayor of Grant in the championship, but advances.

Junior Blake Johnson (18-9, 11 pins) moved past the 20-win mark at 119 and qualified with a third-place finish with a close 4-2 win over Ryan Malo of Zion-Benton.

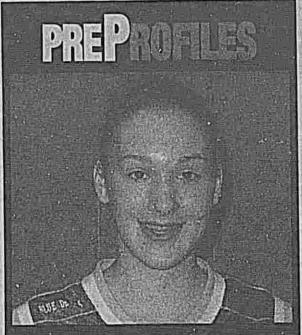
Sophomore 130-pounder Brennan Drew (12-4) lost by technical fall in the final to Daniel Dennis of Grant at 130. "Drew probably lost to the state champ. I like the way Dennis wrestles," Tiffany said.

Justin Carlson, (24-6), pulled out a lastperiod 4-2 win over Matt Arnst of Zion-Benton in the final at 145. "He has a lot of composure out there on the mat

Another hard-fought final, was senior Chris Rottweiller (28-5, 13 pins) edging Curtis Hines of Waukegan 6-4 in overtime at 160, winning on a takedown at the edge of the

mat. "He (Rottweiller) was the aggressor. He really deserved it. He thought that he had scored earlier," Tiffany said.

WTHS's Pedro Velasco, a senior, edged out Nick Coles of Antioch 5-4 to win third at 152.



Sarah Boothe

The situation has become typical for Warren freshman Sarah Boothe. She takes the ball in the post, backing her opponent down before wheeling around for a textbook right-handed hook shot.

After the basket falls, boos ring out from the Warren faithful. Wait a minute, they're booing her? Not quite. Instead, they're chanting, "Boooooothe!" As one of the most celebrated freshmen in recent memory, there have been cheers aplenty for Boothe in her first season at Warren.

"She's one of a kind in the county,"
Warren coach John Stanczykiewicz
said. "Every coach dreams of having a player like her. She's such an anom-

Yeah, it's true. Players like Boothe don't exactly grow on trees. A 6-4 player with strength, coordination and undeniable skills in the post, Boothe creates instant match-up problem for virtually every team.

"She has good hands, good balance and she runs the floor well,"
Stanczykiewicz said. "She's also very smart. She understands what to do in the post, and she's able to pass out of a double team really well."

Forget about double teams. After flourishing in the post to start the sea-

flourishing in the post to start the season, coaches now regularly triple-team Boothe, which is unheard of for a freshman.

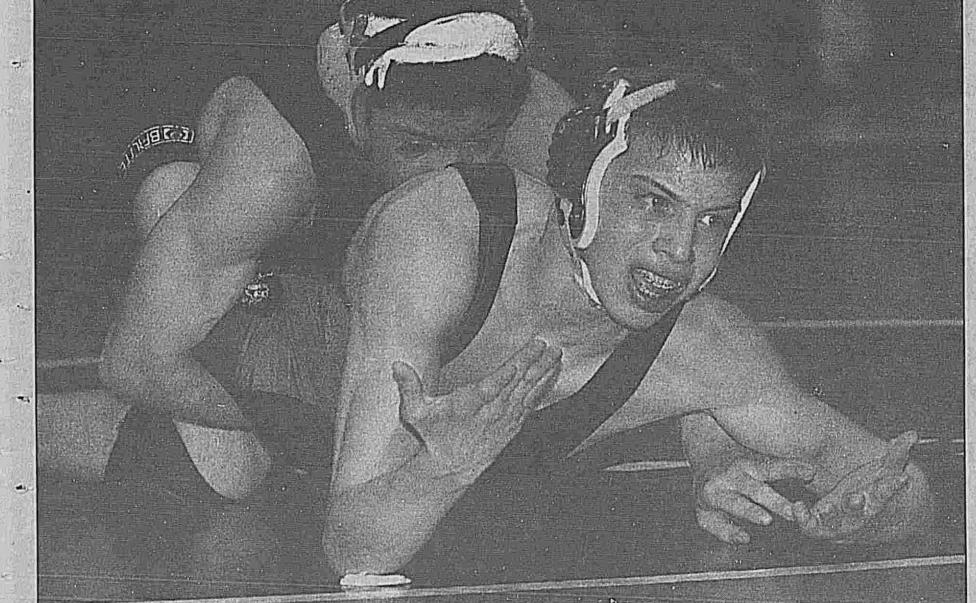
"Teams have to game plan just how to guard her," Stanczykiewicz said. "It's hard to believe she's just 14."

While Boothe has noticed the extra attention she's been getting from opposing defenses, she just shrugs it

"I don't even think about what they're going to do to defend me," Boothe said. "I just worry about what I have to do."

While she's fast becoming a focal point for the offense, she still has several teammates who regularly shoulder the scoring load, including T.K. LaFleur and Alex Leach. However, with that pair graduating after this season, Boothe will be counted on to lead the

team next season.
"The sky's the limit for her,"
Stanczykiewicz said. "She's still figuring out how to use her body. When she does that, she'll be really dangerous."-By Rob Backus



John Gonzalez, wrestling for Warren, looks to his coaches for guidance while competing against Izzy Montemayor from Grant, during the Fox Laek Regional Tournament.

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> **Tom Nance** Wauconda wrestling coach





Bulldog quartet advances to sectional

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

he road to improvement can be a long and arduous one. For Wauconda wrestling coach Tom Nance, the 2005 wrestling season is just another stop on that long road as the Bulldogs advance more people in this year's campaign, but fall short of the coaching staff's expectations.

"We actually improved the number of people we advanced to the sectional this year, so we did well on that front," Nance said. "But we thought that six was a good number, but

we only got four people to advance."

Wauconda Bulldog seniors Andrew Baker
and Neal Swanson advanced to sectionals in the 189-pound and 130-pound weight classes while junior Josh Eckmann and sophomore Nick Swanson advanced in the 171 and 125 classes. The elder Swanson took home the overall victory and now stands at an impressive 31-5 mark on the year.

The winners come at no surprise for Wauconda coach Tom Nance. For Nance, the wrestlers who advanced were the people the pairings expected to advance.

"There were no surprises in the people who advanced to sectional, I'd say the four who got through wrestled well," Nance said. "The Swanson brothers did well with Neil winning the regional as we expected and his brother took second to a guy who beat him easily before. As for Josh Eckmann, we were excited for him because he's had some problems on and off the mat."

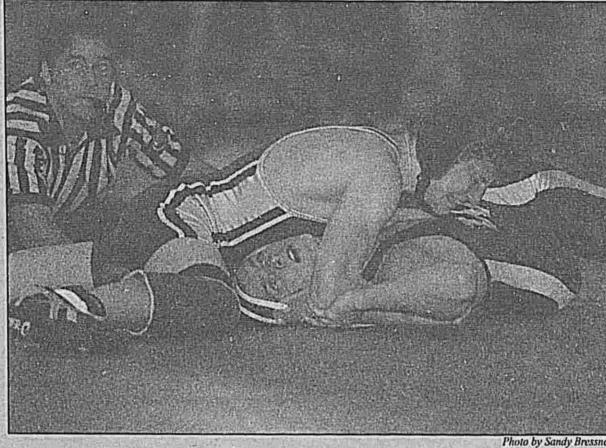
While Nance had a lot to be proud of in the performance of Eckmann, Baker and the Swanson brothers, there were some disappointments along the way for the Bulldogs. Wauconda was on the wrong end of a number of upsets; including the ends of some high school careers.

"We were disappointed that (junior) Anthony Brown didn't get through," Nance said. "He got caught in a neck wrench against a kid he should have beaten and he has beaten before. He also had some bad luck throughout the meet because he also got burned by a ref, but at least he's got another year to fix it."

Unfortunately, there are some other seniors of the Bulldog team that aren't so lucky as to have another year to amend their mistakes. Seniors Eric Madsen and John Champion saw the unexpected end of their careers Saturday. Swanson said Champion is still distraught because of some of the mistakes he made during his final match in a Bulldog singlet.

"It was really tough for us in the 160pound weight class with John Champion losing," Nance said. "He got pinned in his very first match and that sends a red flag up for the team. He later told me he went into the match overconfident and it cost him. It's really tough to see a senior lose their last match like that. He's taken it well, but I know it must be tearing him up inside."

While the Bulldogs took their lumps dur-



Wauconda High School's John Champion battles Carmel's Andrew Federer in the second round of the 160-pound weight class during the IHSA Individual Regional Wrestling Tournament at Libertyville High School.

ing the regional match, Nance is expecting big things from the remaining members of his team. The main factor in his prediction is experience and the sectional qualifiers have experience on their side.

"We really like the seniors' chances in the sectionals," Nance said. "Neil (Swanson) has been there before and Andrew (Baker) is a really tough, hard-working kid. They should be able to do well in the sectionals."

BOYS BASKETBALL

Wauconda battled Warren tough for 16 minutes, but the Blue Devils were able to make the necessary second-half adjustments for a NSC crossover win.

'Our defensive intensity in the second half was the key factor.

> Chuck Ramsey WTHS boys' basketball coach

"The kids handled it well. I was extremely pleased, except for three or four minutes in the third quarter," said Wauconda coach Rich

Marcus Lewis was one force that Wauconda (8-13) could not stop, as he scored 21 points for Warren (17-02) in the 56-37 Warren win.

Wauconda, led by nine first half points from Tim Schwarz, trailed just 28-24 at intermission.

"Our defensive intensity in the second half was the key factor. Lewis had a good second

half," said WTHS coach Chuck Ramsey.

Mitchell Moore had 11 points, 6 rebounds and 3 steals, Jordan Dalton and Marvin Bembry hit the boards, with five each for the Blue Devils.

Wauconda hosts Vernon Hills Feb. 11, hoping to gain revenge for a division loss. Hawk Haiduke led Wauconda with 18

"Give Wauconda credit. They played us

GIRLS BASKETBALL

tough in the first half," Ramsey said.

Wauconda (4-19) said farewell to seniors Kirsta Llewellyn, Jessica Schwarz, Brittany Powell, Clare Pedersen and Amanda Guerrero after a Saturday clash against Harvard. The Bulldogs fell to the Hornets 40-27.

Harvard was held to only one third-quarter point, but Wauconda still trailed 27-21 despite being six points from Middlesworth. The Bulldogs tried to match the Hornets' three-point shots to start the second half.

Despite down by 10 points, Wauconda cut the lead to four on a bucket by Kraus midway through the fourth quarter.

But the Hornets made their free throws down the stretch and pulled away with the win. Harvard did not have a player reach double digits, with nine points as their leader. Still, Bartusch liked his team's effort of late.

"We have played well the last four or five games, after Zion-Benton and Warren dominated us," he said.

Wauconda completed the regular season at Stevenson. WHS faces Vernon Hills at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 14 in the Libertyville regional, the third time the two teams have played.



Josh Eckmann

hree years old-for most of us, that's a time to be tooling around on Big Wheels and playing. For Wauconda junior Josh Eckmann,

it was time to wrestle.

"Wrestling is pretty much my life
and I've been doing this since I was
three years old," Eckmann said. "These tournaments are really what keeps me going."

Wrestling is a family affair for Eckmann as his father used to participate in the sport. Eckmann actually got his inspiration from his father and a wrestling program for children. "My dad wrestled in the Navy and

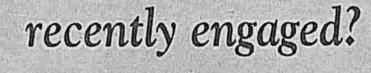
I used to watch him wrestle," Eckmann said. "They had a program for little kids and I decided to join that and that's how I learned how to wrestle."

Injury has also reared its ugly head in Eckmann's life as he's already sustained two broken necks over the course of his career. Despite the severity of the injury, Eckmann speaks of the injury off-handedly simply because it didn't take place during high school. "I haven't had any real injuries in high school, but when I was in middle school, I broke my neck twice,"
Eckmann said. "It took me a year to
get back from that. It was a little
scary because I really didn't know it
was broken. I actually went into the
doctor because I dislocated my shoulder and then they told me I had a bro-ken neck and I needed to rush to the hospital." •

A broken neck might put a damper on a normal wrestler's plans, but for Eckmann, the injury just added fuel to

"It made me more encouraged than ever just knowing that I survived and it wasn't bad," Eckmann said, "It's made me tougher knowing that I've broken my neck, and I mean, how much worse could it get?"-By Dan Patrick

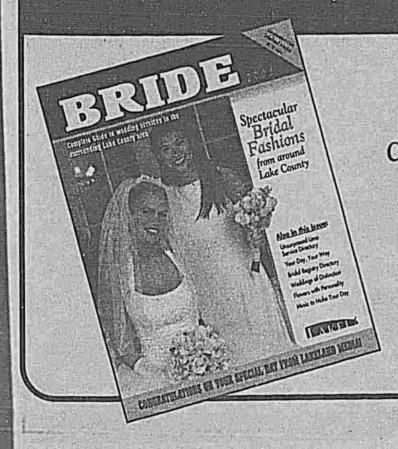
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Brian Colbert

Waukegan boys' basketball coach



Buzzer-beater sinks Bulldogs' spirits

By Nicholas Alajakis

Sports Reporter

he look on his player's faces said it all. Tears replaced the usually smiles on Waukegan players' faces as they slowly filed out of the locker room and boarded the waiting bus.

And then Waukegan basketball coach Brian Colbert said the words that many of his player's faces alluded to after the loss to Glenbrook South.

'It's the hardest game since I've been coaching for me to take," said the third-year coach. "That one right there hurt."

Down two with only 4.6 second to play Waukegan senior forward Dexter Landry went to the free throw line to attempt two free throws. With an entire stadium of fans from both teams holding their breath, Landry sunk both free throws to tie up the score at 46-46. Then came what Colbert would later call a critical error.

They allowed Glenbrook South's Danny Monckton to get behind them. And he caught a pass from star guard Jeff Ryan and gently banked in a lay-up as time expired to set the home fans in a frenzy.

Afterward Colbert was less than happy with the way his team defended the final possession.

"We didn't want the ball to get ahead of us," Colbert said. "We wanted to be able to stop the man dribbling the ball the full-length of the court. But he turned the corner and they let a man get behind them. And that was the end of the game. He had it. We had it. We had that game."

With no timeouts remaining neither Colbert or Spartan coach John Meyer had time to call a play on the final possession, Meyer said he thought the play worked out better than he hoped it would.

"Jeff Ryan did a great job. He's a 6-7 point guard, who attacks really well. He saw Danny (Monckton) and he finished for us," Meyer

A buzzer-beating shot was a fitting end to a game that saw numerous lead changes, and all but decided the champion of the Central Suburban League South.

The game saw runs of 9-0, 8-0 and 14-2 by Glenbrook South, with Waukegan countering with runs of 10-0 and 11-0.

Waukegan's last run came with the team down 41-33 early in the fourth quarter. During the run Laron Frazier and Emanuel Gaiter were the only Bulldogs to attempt

"When in big games, big players make the big players," Colbert said. "That's what big time players do. They step up during crunch

Ben Vega was quite possibly the team's biggest player during points of the game. His 15 points led the team, but it was two acrobatic lay-ups and one huge three-pointer that gave the team momentum.

The scoring runs were mostly fueled by turnovers. Both Waukegan and Glenbrook South applied full-court defense much of the game to force 21 and 14 turnovers, respectively.

The loss all but eliminates Waukegan from conference championship contention. They are now two games behind GBS.

That bit of information was not lost on Waukegan players, who more than 20 minutes after the game seemed to still be in shock.

"It's real, real bad in there," Gaiter said about the somber mood in the locker room.

"It's got to be the hardest.

He was optimistic, however. "We'll bounce back," he added.

And they'll need to in a hurry. Waukegan hosts Niles West, one of only five teams to beat them this season, Friday at 7:30 p.m.

WRESTLING

Going into last weekend's regional championships at Grant High School, Waukegan coach Steve Welter said he hoped to qualify four of his athletes to the sectional meet.

Turns out his team would be a little more successful than he imagined. Five Waukegan wrestlers qualified for this week's sectionals, including senior Todd Sorenson, who easily won the 135-pound weight class.

Welter said he was very happy with the way Sorenson (32-9) wrestled. His 15-6 win over Round Lake's Dustin Pousson gives him momentum going into this

'He's (Adrian Cervantes) been coming along bit by bit.' (after his 3rd place finish at regionals)

Steve Welter Waukegan wrestling coach

Other qualifiers included Joe Leccesi (38-5), who lost only his second match of 2005 on the way to a second place finish in the heavyweight class.

As expected Dennis Walsh (13-5) and Curtis Hines (28-12) qualified at the 215- and 160-pound class respectively. But the surprise came from Adrian Cervantes, who took third place in the 125-pound class to improve to 20-20.

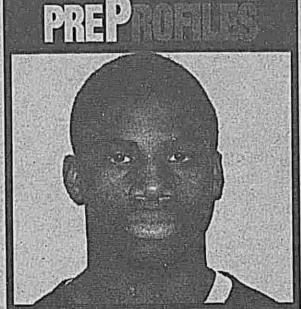
"He's been coming along bit by bit."
As a team Waukegan took fifth place. It was the first time all season they have wrestled with a full line up. They were however, without 145-pound standout Israel Figueroa, Figueroa, a sectional qualifier last season was hurt, following an injury at in the conference finals to wrestle, Welter

Other wrestlers did step up to earn points. In his first varsity action of the year, 103pound freshman Jacob McCallester took fourth, but missed a sectional appearance. Jesus Gayson, who replaced Figueroa at 145, took fourth as well.

Welter is optimistic that a few wrestlers can qualify passed this weekend's Barrington sectional.

GIRL'S BASKETBALL

Waukegan was defeated 55-26 on the road this week by Glenbrook South. Shayla Dukes led all Bulldog scorers with nine points. Sierra Shipley added five.



Curtis Hines

fter a grueling six minutes of scraping left him exhausted, Curtis Hines had to get up from Athe mat, look at his opponent and prepare for and other go it. Regulation time wasn't enough to settle the regional championship in

Hines' 160-pound class.

He'd be taking his 28-11 recording into overtime to take on Warren's Chris Rottweiller.

"It's really difficult," Hines would later say about wrestling in overtime." The hard thing is being tired. But it's really about how much you want to

And Hines wanted to win. He's wanted to win all season. It's his desire that took him from limited action on the varsity level as a sophomore, to one of the best wrestlers in his weight class in the area. Last sea-son Hines didn't even get to wrestle in

the regional championships.

But the lack of experience never got to Hines. From the beginning of the season he said he thought he'd do well ne pusnea nimseir. Pusnea nimseir he did. Hines worked to lose enough weight to go from 171-pound class to the 160-pound class late in the season. "He has a tremendous amount of

talent," says Hines' coach, Steve
Welter. "He's stepped it up."
Stepping it up for Hines has
involved working harder in the
wrestling room and meditating before
each match. Hines said he tries to visualize a match in his head.

On Saturday he came up just short, losing 6-4, and dropping his record to

But with his second place finish Hines moves on to sectionals, where he dreams of qualifying for the state meet. It doesn't matter where he was last year, Hines said. "I'm hoping to get down state. I just have to."-By Nicholas Alajakis

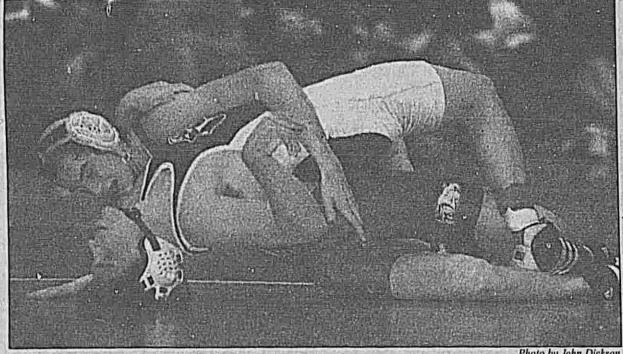
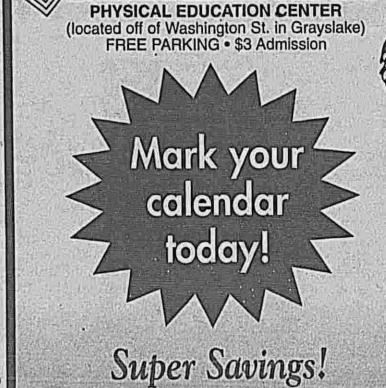
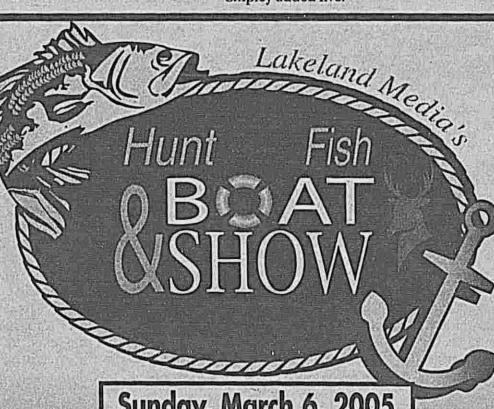


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Waukegan's Todd Sorensen wrestles with Round Lake High School's Dustin Pousson to win the title of 2005 Champion at the Fox Lake Regional Tournament in the 135-pound weight class.



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n, winning return to Lancers

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

lues legend B.B. King once sang, "The thrill is gone." And for the College of Lake County men's basketball team, it

After storming out of the gate with 13 wins in their first 14 games, the Lancers ran into a dry spell, losing three straight games at one point. Then, after an especially tough loss against Moraine Valley last week, CLC coach

Shawn Chism decided enough was enough.
"The next day in practice we watched film of the previous game and had the players critique themselves," Chism said. "We were just trying to break up the monotony.

"The season is a bunch of cycles. We got off to a fast start, then we hit a wall. But this is a really good group of young men, so we know they're strong enough to bounce back."

And the Lancers have bounced back in a big way, winning three straight games since that practice, with their last two coming in convincing fashion.

"The joy is back," Chism said. "You can tell they're better now. They have a glow and hopefully they can keep it going."

The resurgence started in dramatic fashion last Thursday against Morton. CLC was down 16 points at the 17-minute mark of the second half, but rallied back to win 84-82.

Kenny Saunders led the Lancers with 20 points and 10 rebounds, while Austin Yarc (15 points, 8 assists), Erin McMillan (10 points, 7 rebounds) and Aaron Jones (12 points, 13 boards) also turned in outstand-

Then the Lancers absolutely exploded on Saturday, crushing Trinity 117-52, as all 14 players scored for CLC. Erin McMillan set a school record with 10 blocks, netting a tripledouble along the way (10 points, 11 boards, 10 blocks). Jose Garcia also set a school record with 24 first-half points on his way to a game-

Sean McLendon (10 points), Jerod Harris (15 points) and Jones (16 points, 12 rebounds) also chipped in with big games.

In warm-ups prior to Tuesday night's match-up with Elgin, CLC seemed loose. They were joking around, as Saunders and McMillan went back-and-forth with a dunk-

'Everyone's having fun again," Saunders said. "We were just trying to get loose and put on a show for the crowd."

The Lapcers continued to put on a show after the game started, winning convincingly 89-60. At one point Saunders (10 points) threw down back-to-back alleyoops before leaving with a bruised shoul-

But Garcia provided the biggest show for the crowd, scoring 12 points in just over three minutes on his way to a game-high 18

"I was just in the zone," Garcia said. "My shot was feeling good."

Sean McClendon (13 points) and Jones (12 points, 15 rebounds) also turned in solid efforts for CLC.

'We were able to force turnovers and get out and run," Chism said. "When we do that we're going to be successful."

The win improved CLC's record to 20-5 overall and 5-4 in the Skyway Conference. It also gives the Lancers their first 20-win season

Up next for CLC is a game at Oakton Feb. 10 at 7:15 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

CLC's struggles continued as the Lancers lost a pair of games last week to fall to 1-24 on the season and 0-8 in the Skyway Conference.

The Lancers opened the week with a 71-64 double-overtime loss to Morton. Former Grayslake teammates Nicole Schroeder (16 points, 10 rebounds) and Jessica Piasecki (15 points, 10 boards) led the way in the loss. CLC was able to minimize its turnovers

DeClark broke every scoring record at CLC in her two-year career. As a freshman, she tallied 18 goals, one shy of the school-record total held by Dory Thompson (1998-99). As a

and play solid defense in the first half

Tuesday against Elgin, but poor shooting to

start the second half cost the Lancers in a 59-

35 loss, Schroeder (10 points), Kate Malcolm

(8 points) and Jeanetta Ayers-Bersch (8

points) led the Lancers in the scoring col-

WOMEN'S SOCCER

named to the 2004 NJCAA All-American team.

Her selection marks a milestone for CLC as

she becomes the first two-time All-American

women's soccer player in school history after

earning the honors as a freshman last season.

liant career at the school, where she was a

two-time selection on both the All-

Skyway Conference and All-State teams,

along with the 2004 State MVP title and

the CLC Female Athlete of the Season in

Her accomplishment caps off a bril-

Sophomore Kristy DeClark has been

sophomore she demolished the single-season record, scoring 29 goals and also easily eclipsing the career record of 33 (also held by

College of Lake County's Jamie Schaufel, a graduate of Round Lake High School, looks

to make a pass under Elgin's defense during a 59-35 home game loss in Grayslake.

Thompson). "Kristy just has a nose for the goal," CLC coach Dave Beck said. "She was so incredibly fast and skilled that defenses were at her mercy. It is a credit to her determination and talent that even after all the recognition following her freshman season, when team then double and sometimes triple-teaming her this season, she still found a way to score. She was actually unselfish and probably could have scored more had she not quite as often looked to pass rather than shoot."

DeClark joins Joe Carver (1991-92) as the only two-time All-Americans in CLC soccer history, dating back to 1986 when the two programs began. Beck, who coached the men's team from 1986-94, noted the similarities between the two players.

Both had speed, incredible ball skills and a fierce desire to compete," Beck said. "Ironically, both were physically smaller that most of the other players on



Jose Garcia

ost people regard bench players as a lesser form of life. After all, if they were better they'd be starting. But that's

not always the case.

Boston Celtics great John Havlicek
made a Hall of Fame career out of
being the Sixth Man for those Celtics title teams of the '60s. Vinny "Microwave" Johnson helped the Detroit Pistons to back-to-back titles as instant offense off the bench, a role Chicago Bulls rookie Ben Gordon is reprising this season.

College of Lake County freshman Jose Garcia is no different.

"He could easily start for us, but I

"He could easily start for us, but I like using him as a weapon off the bench," GLC coach Shawn Chism said. "He still ends up logging as many minutes as a starter."

While forwards Kenny Saunders and Erin McMillan have been wowing the crowds with their high-flying antics, Garcia has been every bit as valuable with his deadly three-point shooting, as evidenced by his 14-point per game average.

"He really shoots the ball well," Chism said. "He also has great instinct around the basket. His basketball I.Q.

He also brings some much-needed defense to the Lancers. Chism feels Garcia is the team's best defensive player.

His explosive scoring ability has been showcased the last two games. Last Saturday against Trinity, Garcia poured in a school-record 24 first-half points. On Tuesday night against Elgin, Garcia showcased his little-used ability to drive to the hole, scoring 12 points in just over three minutes.

"Going to the hole is a lot of fun," Garcia said. "Most people think I just shoot threes, so when I drive it feels good."

As for that picture-perfect shot, Garcia said it's just the result of a lot of practice.

"When I was little I just shot the ball all day," Garcia said. "They say practice makes perfect and it did."-By Rob Backus

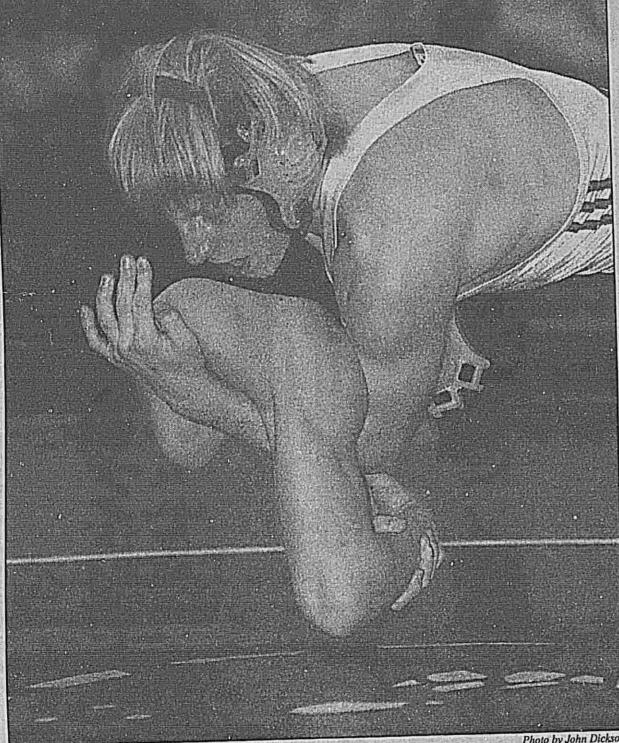
'Kristy just has a nose for the goal.'

Dave Beck College of Lake County soccer coach

the field. It's a pretty clear example in both instances that it is the size of the heart in the player and not the size of the player, which makes them so special. It was an honor and privilege to coach Kristy and I and the team will miss her tremendously."

DeClark has accepted a scholarship to continue her education and soccer career at Eastern Illinois University in the fall.

Regional wrestling tournament



Grayslake Curran Allenstein (top) grapples with Grant's John Deneen during a 125-



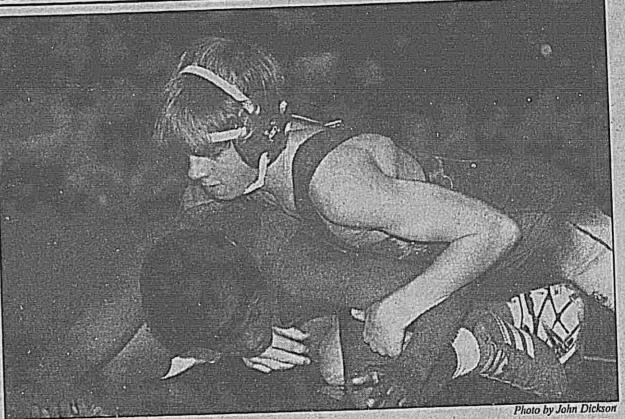
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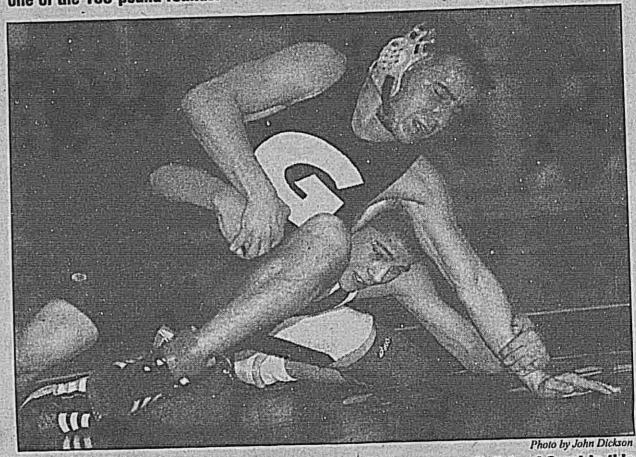
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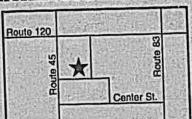


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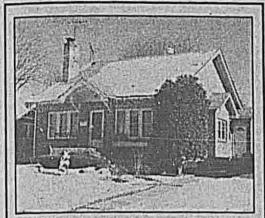
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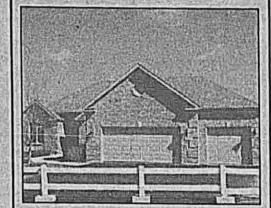
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Home details

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DR: 14X13	LOF: 13X12
KIT: 26X15	MUD: 10X8
FR: 43X15	HRT: 17X15
MBR: 18X17	FP: 2
BR 2: 17X14	Rooms: 12
BR 3: 14X12	Baths: 4.2
BR 4: 14X12	

2003 taxes: \$15,998

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Doing the 'splits' for more space

Builders are taking diversity indoors, creating floor plans that stray from the typical two-level, single-family home. At Shepherds Crossing, a community of 240 single-family homes in north-suburban Zion, developer Deer Point Homes is attracting buyers with a split-level floor plan that offers four levels of living space.

Located at 21st Street and Kenosha Road near Highway 173, Shepherd's Crossing offers ranch, split-level and two-story floor plans that measure from 1,575 to 2,467 square feet. Homes are situated on fully sodded sites and come standard with two to four bedrooms, 2 to 2 1/2 baths, attached two-car garages and a basement. Base prices range from the low \$200s to the high

According to Michael Menas, president of Deer Park Homes, not only are split-level floor plans popular because they offer a more open design, but they also give buyers convenient access to the many different rooms that the home fea-

With 1,787 square feet of living space, the Galway floor plan offers three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, a living room, loft and an attached two-car garage for a base price of \$217,990.

"The plan acknowledges the kitchen as the hub of activity," said Menas. "Oak railings separate the kitchen from both the second level and the lower level, creating open sightlines that allow residents to see and communicate throughout different

A half-flight of stairs down from the mail level is the lower-level family room. This area measures almost 350 square feet

and includes a walk-in closet, powder room and laundry room.

"The family room is a great place for families to watch a movie together or for the kids to play video games," said Menas.

"In addition, the fact that it is within view of the kitchen allows parents to be on a different level of the home and still supervise

The same can be said for the second-floor loft area, which , can serve as a convenient homework area, play room or home office. In addition to the loft, the second floor includes two secondary bedrooms and a full bath.

Another half-flight of stairs up from the second-floor is the master bedroom suite, which offers a large walk-in closet and full bath with combined shower and tub.

'While the other three levels of the home are designed to be open, the master bedroom suite is more secluded. Because it is located on its own level, the master suite gives the homeowners their own quiet retreat where privacy is a top priority," said

"In this home, there isn't a single wasted square foot of space," he said, "Buyers get a great value, which is one of the major reasons why the Galway is such a popular floor plan."

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Teen identity theft a growing concern

license is turning into a nightmare for a growing number of teenagers who are discovering for the first time they are victims of identity theft. Identity theft is a crime in which an educate young people on how to protect

imposter obtains key pieces of information such as Social Security and driver's license numbers to obtain credit, merchandise and services in the name of his or her victim.

"Young people under the age of 29 years old have become the number one demographic target for identity thieves," Betsy Broder of Federal Trade Commission said at a recent summit on teen ID theft

sponsored by Qwest Communications. "Young people comprise an estimated 31 percent of the some 10 million identity thefts annually throughout the country."

Broder said the first time many teenagers discover their identification has been stolen is when they apply for a driver's license or credit card and discover someone else has been using their name and Social Security number.

Concerned that teenagers are often overlooked by organizations that educate the public on identity theft, Qwest Communications recently sponsored a one-day summit in Denver devoted exclusively to the problem of teenage identity theft.

The first-of-its-kind summit brought together influential members from business, government, academia and the media to identify the problems young people face with respect to identity theft and develop initiatives to help protect them.

Broder, who is assistant director of the FIC's Division of Planning and Information, and a panel of other experts noted that identity theft is one of the fastest growing financial

The dream of obtaining their first driver's crimes in the United States, costing businesses some \$48 billion a year in losses and an estimated \$5 billion in losses to consumers. They urged businesses, schools and others to help

themselves against becoming the primary target of identity thieves.

With little knowledge of financial transactions or crèdit reports, teenagers and young people are particularly vulnerable to identity theft. Identity thefts can occur before a teenager even reaches the age of 18, the time when most minors are eligible to enter into contracts and apply for credit cards.

"Identity theft is affecting teens the same way it affects adults," says Diane Terry, senior director of fraud victim assistance at the national credit bureau, TransUnion. "The main difference is that teenagers are often less educated about the warning signs that suggest they may be victims. We really need more focused education to reach teens."

Terry and others note that it can be an exceptionally traumatic experience for anyone to discover their identity has been stolen, but that it is particularly painful for young people.

"It feels like you have no control over your life," says Rhea Takara of San Diego, Calif., whose estranged father stole her identity when she was 18 years old and forged her name on credit card receipts and established business accounts using her personal information. "Lots of people don't even want to talk about it because the theft often involves a relative or someone they know. It was very hard for me to be betrayed by a parent."

In addition to relatives, roommates and other acquaintances, law enforcement officials say domestic drug rings and Eastern European



gangs are heavily into identity theft and credit requests. card fraud. Young methamphetamine addicts are particularly drawn to identity theft as an easy way to create and use counterfeit checks to support their drug use. According to officials, they steal identity information from the mail, their employers and fellow employees, car break-ins, burglaries and through dumpster-diving.

The Internet has become an appealing place for criminals to obtain identifying data, such as passwords, Social Security numbers and credit card information, particularly from young people who are the biggest users of the Web. Thieves often attempt to get identity information through chat rooms or by enticing people to divulge personal information through specially designed Web sites or popup windows that pose as legitimate commercial sites.

The experts say teens need to understand that identity theft is a serious crime that demands a response. There is no need to become paranoid or stop using the Internet, but the experts suggest teens be extremely cautious about divulging sensitive personal information to anyone, particularly when it involves unsolicited

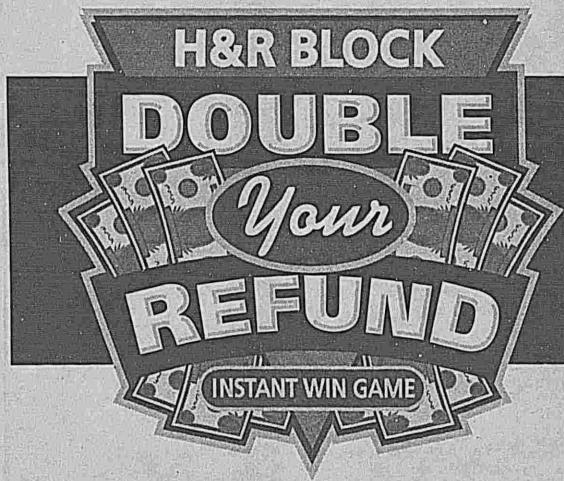
Other tips to help teenagers and young people prevent identity fraud include:

· Don't be intimidated. Tell adults (e.g. coaches, teachers and employers) who ask for Social Security, driver's license and credit card numbers that you want to know how they'll use it and how they'll protect it from identity

· Guard your personal information. It's valuable, so password-protect your laptops, wireless phones, pagers and MP3 players and don't store personal identification information on these and other devices. Carefully destroy papers you throw out -- using a cross-cut shredder if possible - that contain personal identifying information.

 Check yourself out. When you turn 16, frequently check bank and credit card statements for irregularities and ask for help on how to monitor your credit reports at least

Experts at the Qwest Summit urged businesses to partner with local schools, law enforcement agencies, consumer groups and others in promoting information campaigns for teens and young people on the dangers of identity theft.



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Census Bureau updating information on Americans' money spending habits

In January 2005, information about how much Americans spend for health care, groceries, clothing, transportation, housing and other items will be collected by U.S. Census Bureau field representatives from a sample of randomly selected households across the country.

During the Consumer Expenditure (CE) Survey, about 7,500 households will be interviewed once every three months to obtain data on relatively large expenditures; over the year, another 7,500 households will keep two consecutive one-week diaries of all purchases. The Interview Survey is designed to capture expenditure data that respondents can reasonably recall for a period of three months or longer, whereas the Diary Survey captures expenditures on small, frequently purchased items that are normally difficult for respondents to recall later. The results are published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Government economists use the results to update a

Household spending on food for one year

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Pittsburgh	5,295	12.6
Philadelphia	4,862	11.9
South	\$5,030	13.4
Dallas-Fort Worth	6,537	13.1
Washington, D.C.	6,288	12.3
Houston	5,822	12.3
Miami	5,704	13.4
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"Findings from this survey help business and community leaders make sound decisions," said Stanley D. Moore, director of the Census Bureau's Chicago Regional Office. "More specifically, the survey gives business owners the information they need to help respond better to consumer needs, and it is a great help to government officials planning public services."

Before the survey begins, households receive a letter from Census Bureau Director Louis Kincannon informing them of their selection. Census Bureau -field representatives conducting the interviews will carry official photo identification badges. The law ensures survey respondents' personal information and answers are kept confidential.

The following data (to the left) on food expenditures are an example of CE results.

Free web sites level the playing field for businesses

For most businesses, the information superhighway is a path to success-providing access to a world of customers. Fortunately, new technology is making it inexpensive and easy for just about everyone to get a Web site-even companies with limited resources.

Although graphic designers still charge as much as \$26,000 to create a custom site, new options have brought the cost of a full business Web site down into the hundreds for small businesses and in some cases, free. The "e" in . small companies and entrepreneurs an afforde-commerce doesn't have to stand for expen- able way to find new customers and make sive.

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Business owners can get more hands on control with do-it-yourself Web builders such as Site sounder.com. They offer professionallooking templates and "point-and-click" technology. Even without any programming or design skills, a business can be online for less than \$20 a month.

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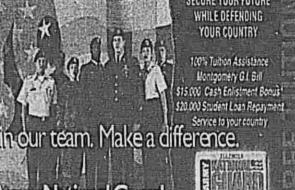
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Share Information Responsibly By Scott T. Fleischmann

Some time ago I did a consulting assignment for a company that was having high turnover. As the assignment unfolded, I discovered that many of the employees were giving management feedback and advice. Normally, a participative management style is positive. In this case, it hindered the company.

Unfortunately, the guidance given included sniping about the work and irritating habits of others. Management took the comments seriously and acted on most of them. Again, it is ordinarily good when management listens to and acts on the comments of employ-ees. However, management did not use discretion in judging which information to act upon.

Certainly, we can not be held accountable for the bad decisions of management. However, we need to take responsibility for comments that we give to others, including managers. Not only is the information given crucial, the presentation of the facts and opinions is significant. Moreover, the motivation for our actions is critical to the usefulness of the wisdom we are sharing.

The information given should be related to the facts. As an examle, "The bolt may not strong enough to hold the 300 pound capacity that is necessary for customer safety." This is an opinion that can be tested and shows concern for the customer. Likewise, "Keeping the loading dock door open allows deliveries to be made in a timely manner, but there is a risk of theft. Should we lock the door and provide a buzzer for those making deliveries?" Identifies a problem and even gives a possible solution.

In addition, the information needs to be presented as helpful guidance that is intended for the betterment of the organization. In some cases, the changes that need to be made will also be a benefit to the person making the recommendation. However, that can not be the motivating factor. In fact, it can not even be perceived as the motivating factor. Choose words carefully.

Those who are motivated out of jealousy, greed, or deception for personal gain will not contribute to the organization. Those who are inspired to build teamwork, improve productivity or correct an internal company problem often have a positive affect. The differ-ence is that the prior is based on self. The later is focused on other people or on the organization.

We all work primarily to earn an income in order that we may sup-ply our earthly needs. There is no harm in deciding to do the best that one can do in order to be a good employee. But, when that positive motivation is twisted, even slightly, good intentions come ugly and we cause more harm than good.

When sharing information with managers consider all three-presentation aspects. Is the information pertinent? How can it be presented so that the organization is improved? Most importantly, what is the motivation for presenting the information?

We can not be held accountable for the indiscretion of managers. llowever, we are responsible for the information that we feed them.

Scott T. Fleischmann is a principal with Integrity Business Solutions Inc., a management consulting firm. They can be contacted through the company web site at www.aboutlategrity.net, information in this column is opinion, and as such, should be used only as the reader deems suitable.

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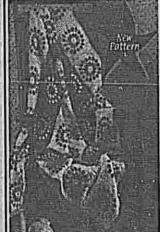
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The sale will take place at Spring Grove Storage, 2502 Spring Ridge Dr., Spring Grove, IL. 60081, on Mon. 2/28/05 at 3:00 p.m. 0211B-7013-FL

0211B-7013-FL February 11, 18, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME WITHDRAWAL
OF OWNER(S) OR
CANCELLATION
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Magna Funding Services
ORIGINAL DATE FILED:
3/19/04
STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE)

son(s) listed below has/have ceased doing business under the assumed name or has/have no further connection or financial interest in said business. Withdrawal shall be effective 2005.

Barbara Henderson, 2413 C-1 Arrington Way, North Chicago, IL. 60064, (847)785-8954.

Allson Merant, 6728M Derby Dr., Gumee, IL. 60031, (847)

This is to certify that the per-

855-5645.
/s/ Barbara Henderson
/s/ Alison Merant
The foregoing instrument
was acknowledged before me
by the person(s) intending to

conduct the business this 31st

day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Jose Munoz, Jr.
Notary Public
Received: Jan. 31, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0121C-6999-GP

February 4, 11, 18, 2005

Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS;
Nana's Pizza Kitchen
NATURE/PURPOSE;
Fast Food Restaurant

900

Fast Food Restaurant
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANSACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
25188 W. 173, Antioch, IL.
60002, (847) 395-0070. P.O.
Box 263, Lake Villa, IL.
60046.

NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTING BUSINESS
Lena Faulkner, 38854 Belmora Park, Box 263, Lake Villa, IL. 60046.(847)356-3829.
STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Lena Faulkner

Jan. 28, 2005
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 28th day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Christina J Hom
Notary Public
Received: Jan. 28, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk

0204A-6998-AN

February 4, 11, 18, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Michael's Classic Interiors
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Sale of custom window treat-

ments
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANSACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
275 Lenox Lane, Mundelein,
IL. 60060, (847)837-0700.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTING BUSINESS
Michael Galati, 275 Lenox
Ln., Mundelein, IL., 60060.

Michael Galati, 275 Lenox Ln., Mundelein, IL. 60060. (847)837-0700. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the un-

dersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Michael Galati
Feb. 3, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 3rd day of February 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Adriana Lomeli
Notary Public
Received: Feb. 3, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0211B-7010-LB
February 11, 18, 25, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE Notice is hereby given that Roberts Road Mini Storage, 4015 Roberts Rd., Island Lake, IL. 60042 will sell or dispose of property for nonpayment of rent and other fees. The sale will take place on 2/26/05, 10:00 a.m. for 221 James Walter, 301 Nancy Young, 515 Peter Mortensen, 609 Ron Anderson, 811 James Brackey, 906 Michael D'Alexander, 1118 Mario Saavedra, 1123 Dana Coleman, 1205 Thomas Johnson, 1208 Kenneth Czamowski, 1323 Kelli Gottstein. All contents sold to highest bidder for cash, Immediate removal required. We reserve the right to with draw any or all property prior to sale.

0211B-7012-WL February 11, 18, 2005 Legals

900

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:

Quality Insulation NATURE/PURPOSE: Insulation ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 520 Linden Dr., Round Lake, IL. 60073, (847)740-3631. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Martin Hurtado, 520 Linden Dr., Round Lake, IL. 60073, (847)740-3631. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Martin Hurtado
Jan. 20, 2005

Jan. 20, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 20th day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Christina Hom
Notary Public
Received: Jan. 20, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0128D-6988-RL
January 28, 2005
February 4, 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE

ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Terrabyte Computer Services NATURE/PURPOSE: Computer Repair ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 393 Center St., Grayslake, IL. 60030, (847)902-5780. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Randolph E. Wright, 40508 N. Lake Shore Dr., Antioch, IL. 60002. (847)902-5780. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE)

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/s/ Randoph E. Wright

Jan. 19, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 19th day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Robert A. Strauss
Notary Public
Received: Jan. 19, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0121C-6989-GL
January 28, 2005
February 4, 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE

ASSUMED BUSINESS

NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: The Racquet Man NATURE/PURPOSE: Racquet stringing & customization services ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 261 Carters Grove Ct., Grayslake, IL. 60030, (847)548-6064. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Marc Campanile, 261 Carters Grove Ct., Grayslake, IL.

COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Marc Campanile
Jan. 12, 2005

60030, (847)548-6064. STATE OF ILLINOIS) 900 Legals

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) Intending to conduct the business this 12th day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/Grace M. Brown . Notary Public Received: Jan. 17, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0121C-6992-GL January 28, 2005 February 4, 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Mimi Nails
NATURE/PURPOSE:

Nail Salon
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANSACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
2193 N. IL. Rt. 83, Round
Lake Beach, IL. 60073, (847)
609-3193.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
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TRANSACTING BUSINESS
David Truong, 2275 Woodoak
Dr., Round Lake Beach, IL.
60073, (847)223-1028.
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/s/David Truong
Jan. 24, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 24th day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Adriana Lomeli
Notary Public
Received: Jan. 24, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0121C-6993-RL
January 28, 2005
February 4, 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Office Geeks
NATURE/PURPOSE:

NATURE/PURPOSE:
Computer Consulting and
Mail Order
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANSACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
1711 Golf Rd., Apt. 220, Waukegan, IL. 60087, (847)599-

NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS LaRhonda Johnson, 1711 Golf Rd., Apt. 220, Waukegan, IL. 60087, (847)599-

0473. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE)

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/s/ LaRhonda Johnson

Jan. 11, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 11th day of January 2005,

OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Belen A. Hernandez Notary Public Received: Jan. 18, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0121C-6994-GP January 28, 2005 February 4, 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Little Listeners
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Auditory Verbal Therapy Center

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 790 Barron Boulevard (Rt. 83), Grayslake, IL. 60030, (847) 217-0961. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE

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PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Leslie Schumaker. 577 Pierce Ct., Grayslake, IL. 60030, (847)223-8047. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Leslie Schumaker
Jan. 21, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 21st. day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Roger W. Verne
Notary Public
Received: Jan. 21, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0121C-6995-GL
January 28, 2005
February 4, 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Lake County Choppers
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Building & repairing motorcy-

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 520 Morningside Dr., Round Lake Beach, IL. 60073, (847)546-2092. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Kathleen Graf, 520 Morningside Dr., Round Lake Beach, IL. 60073, (847)546-2092. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

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/s/ Kathleen Graf

Feb. 2, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 2nd day of February 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Adriana Lomeli
Notary Public
Received: Feb. 2, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0204A-7006-RL
February 4, 11, 18, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Scapes and Scrapes NATURE/PURPOSE: Landscape design and installation assistance ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 2415 Lotus Dr., Round Lake Heights, IL. 60073, (847)740-8169. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Kathrine McGovern, 2415 Lotus Drive, Round Lake

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)
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Heights, IL. 60073.

Jan. 19, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this

19th. day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Jill A. Gross
Notary Public
Received: Feb. 3, 2005
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Lake County Clerk
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February 11, 18, 25, 2005

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PUBLIC NOTICE INVITATION FOR BIDS SHIRT BID

The Gurnee Park District, 4374 Old Grand Avenue, Gurnee, Illinois will accept sealed bids for our spring, summer, fall and winter programs, until 3:00p.m. local time, March 1, 2005. All bids will be publicly opened at 3:05p.m. and read aloud. The selected bid will be approved at the regular meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners on March 15, 2005 at 7:00p.m.

Specifications for this bid, general information, shirts and volume projections, are on file and may be inspected at the Park District office in Viking Park, 4374 Old Grand Ave., Gurnee, IL. 60031 or will be mailed on request. Any questions regarding the bid should be directed to Lisa Sheppard, Superintendent of Recrea-

tion at 847-623-7788. The bid involves shirts for staff and participants in a variety of Park District events and programs and should be all-inclusive including product, imprinting, screen charges and delivery. All sealed prices submitted shall be valid until March 15, 2006.

Each bid response must be placed in a sealed envelope, addressed to Director, Gurnee Park District, 4374 Old Grand Ave., Gurnee, IL. 60031, and identified as "Shirt Bid".

The Gurnee Park District reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities in bidding, and to accept the low-est responsible bid. The Gumee Park District reserves the right to award all or any portion of these bids. Once an order is placed, the Gumee Park District requires the order to be completed in twenty-one working days. In any situation where the order is not completed in the 21 working days, the total price will be reduced by twenty (20) percent.

Dated in Gurnee, Illinois February 11, 2005

Victoria Paddock **Board President** Gurnee Park District

0211B-7008-GP February 11, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE

Round Lake C.U.S.D. will be accepting bids for Air Duct Cleaning for Village Elementary and Beach Elementary Schools. Bid specifications are available from Walter J. Korpan, CFO, Round Lake School District #116, 316 S. Rosedale Court, Round Lake, IL. 60073. All bids are due on or before March 1, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. and will be opened and tabulated at that time.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting is scheduled for February 22, 2005 at 9:30 a.m. at the Village School entrance, 880 Nippersink, Round Lake, IL. 60073.

All bids submitted shall be valid for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of bid opening, after which all bidders will be informed regarding Board of Education decisions. The board reserves the right to accept and/or reject any or all bids, and to waive any technicalities or irregularities in the bidding.

Bids shall be enclosed in sealed envelopes, clearly marked "Duct Cleaning Bid" and malled or delivered to: 316 S. Rosedale Court, Round Laske, IL. 60073. No faxed bids will be allowed.

Walter J. Korpan Chief Financial Officer

0211B-7015-RL February 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ALL VENDING MACHINIES AND SODA FOUNTAINS THROUGHOUT THE GURNEE PARK DISTRICT

The Gurnee Park District, 4374 Old Grand Avenue, Gurnee, Illinois will accept sealed proposals for all vending machines and soda fountains throughout the District, until 1:00p.m. local time, March 1, 2005. All proposals will be publicly opened at 1:15p.m. and read aloud. The selected proposal will be approved at the regular meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners on March 15, 2005 at 7:00p.m.

Specifications for this proposal, general information, equipment lists, locations and volume projections are on file and may be inspected at the Park District office in Viking Park, 4374 Old Grand Ave., Gurnee, IL. 60031 or will be mailed on request. Bidders shall be further subject to requirements set forth in Chapter 4 of the adopted Gurnee Park District Ordinance Code pertaining to contracts and concessions, which is also available at the Park District office. Questions should be directed to Lisa Sheppard, Superintendent of Recreation at 847-623-7788.

The proposals submitted shall be for the operation of all aspects of Beverage Vending and Soda Fountains to include equipment, maintenance, repair, delivery, product, and licensing. Bidder should be prepared to present proof of appropriate insurance

The Gurnee Park District is interested in revenues it will receive from the operation of vending and soda fountains. Therefore in its review of proposals, the Gumee Park District may consider such factors as the percentage of its proceeds, profits, sales or other revenue or the specific guaranteed amount of money the bidder will pay the Gurnee Park District, as consideration for the grant of exclusive soft drink vendor for the District.

Each request for proposal must be addressed to Gumee Park District, 4374 Old Grand, Gurnee, IL. 60031, submitted in a sealed envelope and identified as "Beverage Vending Proposal". The Gurnee Park District reserves the right to reject all proposals as well as proposals of any person or firm who, in its opinion, has insufficient experience in vending/soda fountain operations or who cannot demonstrate the necessary capital, materials, equipment, or supervisory personnel to execute the contract, or who has not reviewed the specifications and the Ordinance Code, or any proposal which is non responsive. The Park District reserves the right to award a contract based on negotiation with any and all bidders after receipt of bids. The Park District reserves the right to reject any, any part of, or all proposals and to waive irregularities when, in the opinion of the Park District, its interests would be served by such action.

Dated in Gurnee, Illinois February 11, 2005

Victoria Paddock **Board President Gumee Park District**

February 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS LINCOLNSHIRE-PRAIRIE VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT #103

The Board of Education of the Lincolnshire-Prairie View School District #103, Lake County, Lincolnshire, Illinois, will receive sealed bids until 1:30 P.M. local time, March 4, 2005, in the Business Office, 1370 Riverwoods Road, Lincolnshire, Illinois for the Lawn and Grounds Maintenance.

At 1:30 P.M., all bids that are received will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Business Office.

In general, the project consists of providing lawn mowing, trimming and edging, plant material, pruning, weeding and related improvements as directed by the district for the 2005 season. All prospective bidders are required to review said specifications and requirements prior to submitting their bid. Bid specifications may be obtained through the Business Office, 1370 Riverwoods Road, Lincolnshire, Illinois 60069.

Bids must be submitted on the forms provided by the district. All bids must be accompanied by Certificates of Insurance and such other documents as required in the specifications.

Where applicable and appropriate, the general prevailing rate of wages in Lake County, Illinois shall be paid for each craft or type of workman or mechanic needed to execute the contract or perform such work.

Sealed bids shall be addressed to Lincolnshire-Prairie View School District.#103, Business Office, 1370 Riverwoods Road, Lincolnshire, Illinois 60069.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in bidding. Angela Berka, Secretary Board of Education

Dated this eleventh day of February, 2005 0211B-7009-LB February 11, 2004

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS:

Printworks Design NATURE/PURPOSE: Vehicle graphics, signs, Tshirt apparel printing. ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 27992 W. Rt. 120, Unit #60, Lakemoor, IL. 60050. (815) 385-2269.

NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Phil, Brenda Montgomery, 35635 Poplar, Ingleside, IL. 60041, (847)587-1051. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named bust ness from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Phil Montgomery /s/ Brenda Montgomery

Feb. 2, 2005 The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 2nd. day of February 2005. OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Briana Juanger Notary Public Received: Feb. 2, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0211B-7011-FL February 11, 18, 25, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Crossed Paths NATURE/PURPOSE: Craft products & business services

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 413 Keswick Ct., P.O. Box 730, Round Lake, IL. 60073, (847)708-5116. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE. ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Dee Gancarz, 413 Keswick Ct., Round Lake, IL. 60073, (847)708-5116. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

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or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Edelle Gancarz Jan. 28, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 28th, day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/Theresa Corasis Notary Public Received: Feb. 2, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0211B-7017-RL February 11, 18, 25, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE SAFEWAY SELF STORAGE INC. **EXTRA CLOSET**

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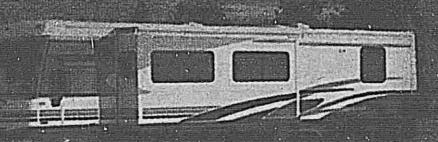
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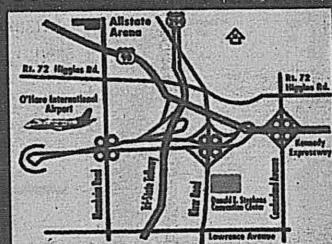


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